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Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion makes a point with NDP Leader Jack Layton as Conservative Leader Stephen Harper and Green Party Leader Elizabeth May look on during the English language federal election debate in Ottawa yesterday.

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Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin and Sen. Joe Biden trade barbs at the U.S. vice-presidential debate in St. Louis, Mo., yesterday.

Double bill delivers

Harper goes on the offensive in English debate

A more assertive Prime Minister Stephen Harper pushed back at his four political rivals last night, charging that their prescriptions for the economy would sink Canada into recession.

For the second night in a row, Harper faced the country's other party leaders around an oval table, and was battered by accusations his conservative economic philosophy was too close to Washington's.

In contrast to Wednesday's French-language debate, the Conservative leader didn't hold back his jabs. He accused Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion of "panicking," and moved to distance himself from the economic policies of U.S. President George W. Bush.

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Dion, NDP Leader Jack Layton and Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe sat on one side, a united front bolstered by Green Leader Elizabeth May who flanked Harper on the other side of the table.

Harper slammed Dion's call in the French debate the night before for emergency economic meetings of top economists, financial oversight agencies and first ministers to chart a way through the economic slowdown.

"What leaders have to do is to have a plan and not panic. Last night (Wednesday), Stéphane, you panicked."
Stephen Harper

"What leaders have to do is have a plan and not panic. Last night, Stéphane, you panicked, you came on the set and announced a whole new economic plan in the middle of the national debate," Harper said.

Dion countered that Harper had "nothing to propose. Doing nothing is not an option."

May criticized Harper for being the only party not to produce a full platform so far in the campaign. "You've offered nothing up. Where's your platform?"

It was a point Layton picked up on minutes later. "Where's your platform? Under the sweater?" he said, referring to Conservative campaign ads that have shown Harper in a sweater vest.

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DEBATE QUICK HITS, PG. 12

See what happens behind the scenes at a debate at metronews.ca/election

Palin excels in VP faceoff

The confident Sarah Palin re-emerged yesterday in a hotly anticipated vice-presidential debate that saw her hold her own against a razor-sharp Joe Biden.

The much-ridiculed Palin, whose disastrous interviews with CBS's Katie Couric have been dogging her for the past week, spoke clearly and forcefully in short question-and-answer segments during the showdown in St. Louis.

The Alaska governor repeatedly lauded McCain as a "man of reform" who's always tried to protect the American taxpayer.

"I may not answer the questions the way you or the moderator may want me to but I am going to talk straight to the American people," Palin said.

Biden, known for being gaffe-prone himself, was eloquent, feisty at times, was always polite toward Palin.

Biden, a longtime Democratic senator considered one of the most seasoned foreign policy experts on Capitol Hill, became spirited when the debate turned to the war in Iraq, fiercely disputing Palin's insistence that Obama has voted against funding U.S. troops while McCain has always voted in favour.

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Man fails to show up for sentencing

Toronto police have released the photo of a man who failed to appear for his sentencing hearing after being convicted of impersonating a police officer, luring a girl into his vehicle and sexually assaulting her. Guy Palinker, 32, was given a three-year sentence. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Local

Run to find a cure for cancer

The Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation CIBC Run for the Cure takes place Sunday. An estimated 170,000 participants will join the fundraising event in 55 run sites across Canada. Funds raised will contribute to breast cancer research, community health initiatives, education and awareness programs that are helping to save lives.

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Ants, not humans, are more important to our ecosystems, says David Suzuki.

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Payday	28, 48, 66 & 70.

These results are not official.

Blair pulls out officers

Toronto police, OPP aides deny personality clash

A personality clash between Ontario's two top cops has nothing to do with a decision to pull 28 officers out of a provincewide unit aimed at combating organized crime, officials said yesterday.

Aides from both sides vehemently deny that any head-butting and in-fighting between Toronto police Chief Bill Blair and OPP Commissioner Julian Fantino has led to Blair's recent decision to withdraw officers from certain provincial joint force operations.

"I want to put to rest once and for all that there are no personality conflicts."
OPP Insp. Dave Ross

"I want to put to rest once and for all that there are no personality conflicts," OPP Insp. Dave Ross said. "It has nothing to do with what's transpired."

An internal memo circulated to members of the Toronto Police Service earlier this week explains that starting Dec. 1, Toronto officers in five provincial units will report to superiors in the TPS, rather than the OPP. The units include, biker enforcement, weapons enforcement, illegal gambling, proceeds of crime and auto theft.

This restructuring, the memo says, comes on the heels of OPP proposals to create two joint force units in Toronto where local officers would answer to the provincial police.

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Pair in fatal crash avoid going to jail

SENTENCES The two young men who killed a taxi driver while speeding up Mount Pleasant Road in their parents' Mercedes-Benz cars have avoided jail time after the Ontario Court of Appeal rejected the Crown's attempt to overturn their conditional sentences.

But Alexander Ryazanov and Wang-Piao Dumani Ross will have to spend the rest of their sentences under house arrest and their four-year driving prohibitions have been increased to seven-year bans, the court said in a ruling released yesterday.

In March 2007, Justice John Moore sentenced the pair each to a year's house arrest, followed by a year with a curfew and two years' probation.

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Kreviazuk **Busking for change**

SAUL PORTO/TOP NEWS

Chantal Kreviazuk busks for change on Queen Street West outside the MuchMusic headquarters yesterday, joining other artists playing on city street corners to raise money for War Child Canada. The event was inspired by Kreviazuk's husband, Our Lady Peace front man Raine Maida, who collected $22,000 last October while busking for a War Child Canada project in Congo.

Exchange bandit returns

The "Exchange Bandit" is back and preying on banks again. He's now wanted for 26 robberies in southern Ontario dating back to 2003, with the most recent occurring Sept. 12 at a Scotiabank on King Street West, just west of Yonge.

That places him among the most prolific bank robbers in Canadian history. Yesterday, the Canadian Bankers Association announced a $10,000 reward for information leading to his arrest and conviction.

Photographed a number of times by bank surveillance cameras, the robber has been dubbed the "Exchange Bandit" for his habit of exchanging a few words with a teller before producing a note demanding money and indicating he has a weapon.

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News in brief

TEDCO Mayor David Miller has slammed the Toronto Economic Development Corporation for continuing to run expensive advertisements promoting its accomplishments even though its days are numbered. But Jeff Steiner, chief executive of the agency, says city manager Shirley Hoy told him to carry on "business as usual," and the ads were part of a communications roll-out. Full-page newspaper ads touting TEDCO deals, including the new Corus Entertainment building, have appeared twice this week.

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Police issue Peeping Tom alert

Police are warning women in a central Toronto neighbourhood about a Peeping Tom. The man targeted several women living in the St. George Street and Bloor Street West area, police said. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

'Dog bites dog' raises dilemma

In a world where "dog bites man" isn't news, and "man bites dog" is a front-page screamer, is there room in our hardened hearts to worry about animals attacking each other?

That's the dilemma Oakville horse trainer Neal Bertin says he is in, after his two German shorthaired pointers have allegedly been repeatedly attacked on his farm by someone else's dogs.

The last attack cost him $2,000 in veterinarian bills — and a broken heart.

"The vet said if that was a person, they'd still be in intensive care," says Bertin, who intends to take the person he believes owns the attacking dogs' owner to small-claims court. Bertin says when he confronted the man he believes owns the dogs, he denied his animals caused the injuries.

Meanwhile, neither police or city officials could advise him on how to protect his dogs, he says, and when he asked the Oakville Humane Society if he could shoot the dogs if they came on his property — not an act any dog owner would want to resort to — he was actually told he could.

Rob Bauer, manager of animal protective services at the Oakville Humane Society, says that's true for rural areas. "You do have the ability to protect your livestock on your property from predators," he says, adding: "We do not recommend people use that option, especially for domestic dogs, because that's not an option that would solve anybody's problem."

Bauer recommends people should instead contact the Humane Society: "We will investigate all bites."

But that can lead to a myriad of red tape: Bauer says the Humane Society initially explores municipal laws for dog biting, as judgments don't have to go through the court system. If it's a more serious case or a repeat offender, the investigation will follow the provincial route under the Dog Owners Liability Act.

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Neal Bertin with one of his injured dogs.

If a dog owner is found guilty under the act, it could result in "a provincewide order that would be imposed … once it's gone through the trial process, and a judge has imposed whatever restrictions he feels is most appropriate," including having dogs muzzled or restrained.

In the end, even the Humane Society can't recoup Bertin's vet bills.

And of course for any animal lover, that's just the half of it. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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PanAm bid kicks off

GAMES Politicians and athletes officially kicked off Toronto's bid to host the 2015 Pan Am Games last night, vowing at an Exhibition Place rally to bring home a win for supporters.

Former premier David Peterson, who is leading a delegation to Mexico for the Pan American Sports Association's annual meeting next week, declared that the Toronto region would be the best choice.

"We're going to persuade them all," he said of the 42-nation voting members. "I won't be happy until we get every one of those votes."

Peterson emphasized the games, with their $1.77 billion price tag, would inject $2 billion into the economy by creating 17,000 jobs. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Peel police seize drugs worth $4M

Peel Region police have seized 205,000 tablets of ecstasy, five kilograms of cocaine and seven kilograms of ketamine as part of an ongoing investigation into trafficking of street-level drugs. Police say the drugs are worth more than $4 million. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Durham strike looms

Durham Region is telling residents to brace themselves for a potential strike by some 400 city workers less than two weeks from now, after talks broke down with the union.

Workers who provide services including water treatment, waste management and road maintenance could legally strike Oct. 13.

"We're still in the negotiation process," said Dan McGregor, president of the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 1785. He said wages and work schedules were key points of contention.

No job action has been planned yet, but officials yesterday outlined their strike plan.

Management staff will take over many operations, such as water and wastewater treatment, according to a statement issued by the region.

"During a strike, all water quality testing will be performed as outlined in the provincial Ministry of the Environment's regulations for Drinking Water Systems," it reads.

Garbage collection and recycling should continue as usual, since these services are contracted out. Still, residents should expect some pickup delays, the region warned.

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Riding: Brampton-West

Election 2008

Incumbent MP for Brampton-West, Colleen Beaumier, announced Sept. 5 she will not be running for Parliament again after serving the riding for the past 15 years. She was first elected in 1993 and was re-elected in four consecutive elections.

Succeeding Beaumier as the Liberal candidate for Brampton-West is Andrew Kania who will be up against new Conservative and Green Party candidates and an NDP candidate who ran in the 2006 election.

With 170,422 residents, Brampton-West is the most populous riding in Canada and has 107,770 eligible voters.

ROBYN YOUNG/FOR METRO TORONTO

Andrew Kania
Liberal
AGE: 42
PARTY: Liberal
POSITION: Lawyer

"Voters are scared. We have the worst economic performance since Brian Mulroney, we've lost over 200,000 jobs since Harper was prime minister including over 100,000 just since this summer, we've run two months of deficits this summer, Statistics Canada says that we are now doing worse than the United States economy…we're in trouble and when I go around to the doors, people are very, very worried."

Patti Chmelyk
Green Party
AGE: 53
PARTY: Green
POSITION: Former administrative executive assistant at York University

"In Brampton, Peel Region, poverty and affordable housing and the lack of resources to put into social services is really top of my list. It is on the radar of the Region of Peel who called all the candidates together last Monday, and gave us all the facts and figures. In some cases, there's a 21 year wait for social housing. It's really, really serious."

Kyle Seeback
Conservative
AGE: 38
PARTY: Conservative
POSITION: Lawyer

"With the stats being released for 2007, that youth violence is up 30 per cent, the numbers for 2008 are on track to be at least that or higher, I think that there is suddenly a real problem…the numbers have really exploded in the last couple of years and I think it's something that I personally can actually make a difference on."

Jagtar Shergill
NDP
AGE: 39
PARTY: NDP
POSITION: Registered insurance broker

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Credit scam compensation almost up

Customers who believe they were scammed after shopping at Winners and HomeSense stores are almost out of time to seek compensation. At least 45 million credit and debit card numbers were stolen from the retailer's computer system. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

U is for unemployed

The entire staff of the Canadian Oxford Dictionary has been laid off because of declining sales, which the book's publisher attributes to the proliferation of free online dictionaries.

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Next PM must tackle job crisis: McGuinty

Standing with Quebec counterpart Jean Charest, Premier Dalton McGuinty said the federal election campaign is ignoring central Canada's manufacturing crisis with a "sit-on-your-hands" attitude to thousands of lost jobs.

The two premiers, whose provinces are home to the country's biggest concentration of factories hard-hit by the economic slowdown and high dollar, expressed frustration with the lack of attention as the Oct. 14 vote approaches.

Despite federal Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion's new promise to bolster the economy within 30 days of being elected — which both premiers welcomed — McGuinty said no federal party is taking the issue "seriously enough."

"You can sit on your hands... or you can roll up your sleeves to work with the provinces."
Premier Dalton McGuinty

"We continue to lose jobs," said the Ontario premier, who is under fire from opposition parties over more than 200,000 lost manufacturing jobs in the last few years, including pending closures of a Volvo plant in Goderich and a John Deere factory in Welland.

"You can sit on your hands and preside over the the continuing loss of manufacturing jobs or you can roll up your sleeves to work with the provinces to put in place the kinds of programs ... and allow our manufacturing sector to transition."

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News in brief

FINDINGS Research from Ontario's Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences says the risk of getting cancer in the upper colon is greater than in the lower colon in the years after a negative colonoscopy, a new study suggests. Researches say it highlights the need to pay close attention to the far reaches of the colon while doing the procedure.

HEALTH The Canadian Food Inspection Agency is coming under fire from the head of the Windsor Regional Hospital, president David Musyj, for a delay in notification after an E. coli outbreak in lettuce in Michigan.

DECISION A U.S. judge will decide today whether to dismiss charges against John Graham, scheduled to stand trial for the 1975 slaying of a fellow Canadian 32 years ago on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

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Halifax celebrates 250 democratic years

LINDSAY JONES
Metro Canada

The clock turned back to 1758 yesterday in downtown Halifax, all in the name of democracy.

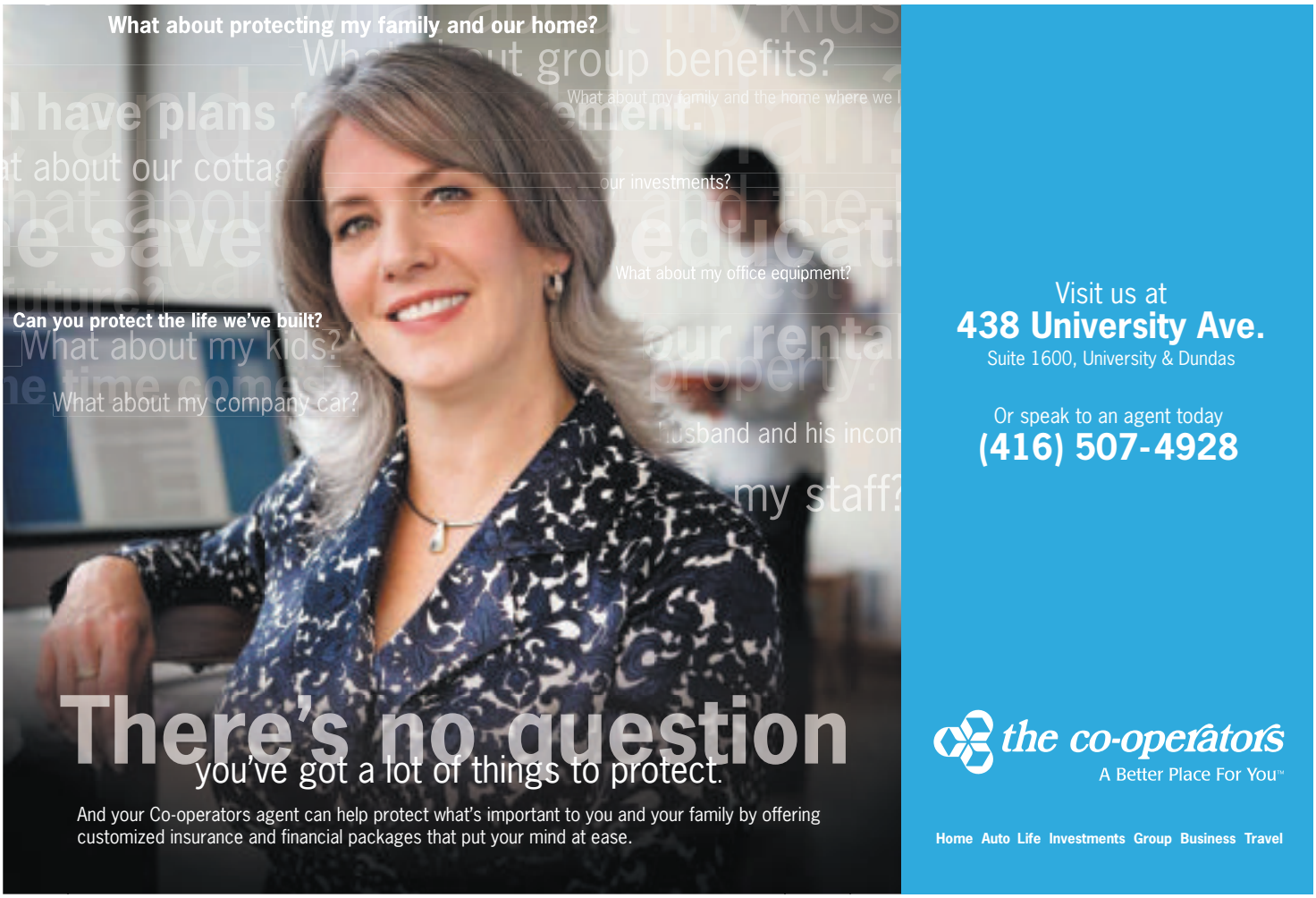
The full day of activities — which kicked off with a traditional Mi'kmaq smudging ceremony and military encampment and ended with a dazzling 18th-century ball — marked the 250th birthday of parliamentary democracy in Canada.

Rain and fog dampened things a little, postponing the Blue Nose II sail past and fireworks at night until today if the weather permits.

Andre MacNeil of Halifax said, "It's sort of cool ... It's nice to see everybody in costume."

Gillian Bones, a student from Ontario, knew about the revelry, but didn't think it was deserving.

"We have it pretty good," she said. "Don't get me wrong, but I'm not sure democracy is alive and kicking."



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Puppies saved from Montreal mill

For the second time in less than a week, animal welfare workers have busted a puppy mill north of Montreal. Officials have not revealed the exact location of the mill but say they've seized about 150 dogs of varying sizes. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Discovery may prevent tuna extinction

RESEARCH Scientists have discovered more about the migratory patterns of bluefin tuna species and say the revelations could help prevent the disappearance of the heavily harvested giants of the sea.

American and Canadian researchers tracked the movement of populations in the Mediterranean and the western Atlantic, finding that they intermingle as young fish in the Gulf of Mexico.

David Secor, of the University of Maryland, said the mixing of the two populations could give a false picture of the size of the western stock — a highly prized catch off eastern Canada that supplies the hungry international sushi market.

"It could indicate that we've had too much of an optimistic perspective about the health of this western population," said Secor, whose paper comes out today in the journal Science.

"It could give us the false impression that things are fairly stable when, in fact, they're declining."

Canadian and U.S. fisheries managers use stock assessments from the Gulf of Mexico and other areas to determine the health of the population.

That is then used to set quotas, something scientists say should be re-evaluated now that they know most of the Mediterranean fish return there rather than travel north to be caught off Canada.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

How they did it

- The researchers examined parts of the tunas' inner ears to identify their origins
- They found that the two groups venture to the Gulf of Mexico as juveniles, but then return to their places of origin on either side of the Atlantic to spawn.

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Fishermen unload a giant bluefin tuna caught in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence in this undated handout photo.

Dozens sought in TB bus scare

There's a "moderate" risk that a person with tuberculosis may have infected other passengers on a Greyhound bus that departed from Toronto en route to Detroit on Aug. 31, public health officials said yesterday in urging that 27 people who disembarked in Windsor, Ont., seek testing.

The infected person, was identified only as a woman carrying a Canadian passport and ranging in age from 20 to 45. She had previously tested positive for tuberculosis in the United States, and was refused entry back into U.S. at the Detroit border, said Ontario's chief medical officer of health Dr. David Williams.

It's unknown whether doctors warned her against travelling.

The woman doesn't have the more serious strains, multi-drug resistant or extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis, and it's "not a panic situation," but officials still want to ensure that all the passengers are accounted for and tested.

"We're looking at moderate to low risk, and perhaps a minimal risk, because we understand the person wasn't terribly symptomatic, wasn't hacking and coughing all the time," Williams said.

"The risk to the public is not a high one but we need to go the extra mile and make sure to contact those people the best we can."

A spokesman for Greyhound said it is working with Ontario public health officials, and has already provided the names of the passengers on the bus.

About 75 per cent of tuberculosis cases resolve spontaneously without treatment, Williams said.

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"The risk to the public is not a high one but we need to go the extra mile."
Dr. David Williams

Alberta man sues after close call at chiropractor

MEDICINE A man who says he suffered a near-stroke after having his neck adjusted has joined a $500-million class-action lawsuit against a chiropractor, the agency that regulates his profession and the Alberta government.

Mark Ellett, 25, says he became disoriented, fell, vomited, lost his speech and was admitted to hospital after Gregory Stiles adjusted his neck in 2006.

Ellett has since recovered, but says doctors told him it was a miracle he didn't have a full stroke.

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Advance voting begins today

Advance voting for the Oct. 14 federal election begins today, and continues Saturday and Monday. Advance polls are open from noon to 8 p.m. across the country. **ELECTIONS CANADA**

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Williams can trust Dion and Layton

Premier Danny Williams said yesterday he can trust the leaders of the Liberals and NDP after they promised to help spur clean energy development and provide relief for people employed by the fisheries.

> **"I can believe them. I can trust them and I firmly believe that they will deliver."**
> Danny Williams

Last month, the Newfoundland and Labrador premier sent letters to Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion, Jack Layton of the NDP and Conservative Leader Stephen Harper, asking how they would address issues of concern to the province.

Williams said after reviewing responses from Dion and Layton, he believes he can trust them to follow through with their promises.

"I can believe them. I can trust them and I firmly believe that they will deliver," Williams said.

But Williams declined to endorse either candidate in the Oct. 14 election.

Williams, who is imploring Canadians to vote for anyone but Conservatives, has not received a response from Harper.

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Women's groups urge parties to take stand on human rights

Refugee and women's activists are calling for an immediate stay on deportation orders against immigrant women trying to stay in Canada as a sanctuary against violence.

Amnesty International and the YWCA joined the immigrant rights group No One Is Illegal yesterday to demand the federal parties take a stand on an immigration system that they say doesn't live up to Canada's own policies of human rights protection.

"Canada was one of the first countries to recognize" violence against women as grounds for a refugee claim, said the YWCA's Ann Dector. "We honour that on paper but not in practice."

The NDP and the Green party sent letters of support to the campaign. The Liberals promised a response in seven days. The Tories haven't replied.

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Lisa Manglia, left, Nicole Chin and Hansin Shah give a presentation on Canada's political parties during a Grade 10 civics class at George S. Henry Academy.

Mock votes a way to get youth involved

As a student in a Toronto high school that has had two gun-related lockdowns this year, Hansin Shah likes Prime Minister Stephen Harper's tough-on-crime image.

But Shah found himself this week making a compelling argument for the Liberal party.

"A richer, fairer and greener Canada is their aim," 15-year-old Shah told his civics classmates at George S. Henry Academy, near Highway 401 and the Don Valley Parkway.

It's all part of Student Vote, a non-partisan initiative to get young people interested in politics at an early age, so they'll buck the non-voting youth trend and show up at a ballot box once they turn 18.

Next week, nearly 500,000 students in 4,300 schools across Canada are expected to cast mock ballots for the candidates running in the ridings their schools are located in.

In Ontario, 275,000 students in 2,100 schools are expected to vote.

Participation varies from school to school but can include presentations on the various political parties (as Shah's Grade 10 civics class did on Monday), holding debates, and learning how to run polling booths and vote.

For many, it's their first experience with politics, a subject they've generally left to their parents.

"Politics isn't really my thing," said Craig Madho, 15.

"But I'll probably start paying attention, especially after this presentation."

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Greens, Grits team up

- In a bid to get more young people to vote in the federal election, young members of the Green and Liberal parties are urging peers to cast their ballots today — in the first advance poll, when there will be shorter lineups and less pressure.
- Dubbing today Youth Voter Day on posters and flyers, organizers say they hope students will find the whole process of voting less intimidating by doing it early, said Katie Gibbs, co-chair of the Young Greens, which proposed the idea and has drawn the support of the Young Liberals of Canada.

Debate quick hits

Highlights from last night's federal election debate:

Heated Exchange: NDP Leader Jack Layton baits Prime Minister Stephen Harper on the economy, saying he either doesn't care or he's incompetent, adding, "Where's the platform, under the sweater?" You could almost see the steam escape from Harper's ears.

Most Long-Winded Answer: Pick one.

Dirtiest Shot: Harper tries to say he's the only one who has never used private health care. Cries of "cheap shot" go around the table as Layton had hernia surgery at the Shouldice Clinic in the 1990s.

Left Out In The Cold: Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe, who had nothing to gain or lose in this debate.

Best Dressed: Duceppe in his blue pinstripe suit.

Most Polite: Green party Leader Elizabeth May by far. The other leaders, especially Layton, often came off as angry and hyperbolic. Her poise raised the bar.

Worst Mistake: Harper to May after she calls his environmental policies a fraud, "You learned how to say that in French last night." So much for the sweater-wearing nice guy.

Knockout Blow: Duceppe nails Harper on wanting to send Canadian soldiers to Iraq in 2003, forcing him to admit that it would have been a U.S.-led error.

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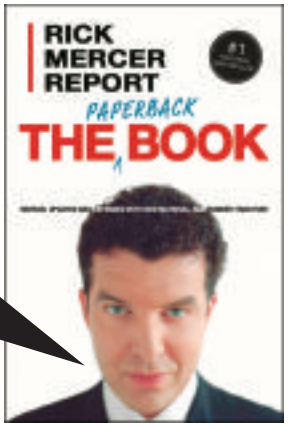

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Voter turnout for the 2006 federal general election (64.7 per cent) marked an increase of 3.8 per cent over the 2004 general election, which was the lowest since 1896; turnout was 64.1 per cent in 2000, 67 per cent in 1997 and 69.6 per cent in 1993. **ELECTIONS CANADA**

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Lesley Hughes removes signs from her office yesterday after a media conference in Winnipeg.

Candidate in election limbo

A federal election candidate who was turfed by the Liberal party said yesterday she still wants a seat in the House of Commons and will continue her fight to get there.

But Lesley Hughes acknowledged she is now in "no-candidates land" because she has been told she will not be officially recognized as an Independent and she is no longer a Liberal.

Hughes was dropped by the party in the Winnipeg riding of Kildonan-St. Paul last week for a column she wrote years ago suggesting Israeli businesses in the World Trade Center had advance knowledge of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

But the party's move Sept. 26 came after the Sept. 22 deadline to remove a name from the ballot, meaning voters will still see Hughes listed as a Liberal candidate.

Still, Hughes said she plans to soldier on and is confident she will retain Liberal support in the riding when voters go to the polls Oct. 14. She said she will sit as an Independent if she is elected.

"My original goal was to take a chair out from under (Prime Minister Stephen) Harper," Hughes said at a news conference at her former Liberal headquarters. "So I ought to be consistent and do that."

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Election Tour Canada

Highlights of the week's election campaign from Metro newsrooms across the nation

TORONTO

Bob Rae, Liberal MP and incumbent for Toronto Centre, alleged Prime Minister Stephen Harper, who led the opposition in 2003, plagiarized a pro-Iraq war speech from then-Australian prime minister John Howard. One could argue the move was a stab at solid Conservative support going into the debate, but the latest poll numbers suggest the allegation had little to no effect, despite the story making international headlines. NDP Leader Jack Layton unveiled his ambitious and expensive platform in Toronto on Sunday. His $18-billion plan includes rolling back corporate tax cuts, a monthly child-benefits cheque of $400, and $400 million a year from federal gas taxes applied to public transit. This last proposal might just be music to the ears of riders on the TTC — a system so plagued by frequent delays it has earned itself the handle "Take The Car."

HALIFAX

The Atlantic Liberal caucus launched its plan for the region this week in Halifax, and the green they were offering wasn't for Mother Nature. The party had lots of goodies for students: 300,000 more student bursaries, a six-month to two-year interest-free grace period for student loans, and guaranteed minimum loans for everyone, no matter what their income. Of course, that only works if they win. Meanwhile, retired justice Merlin Nunn entered the political fray, blasting the Conservatives' call for longer jail terms for young offenders. Nunn is the judge who wrote the report on Archie Billard and the youth justice system in Nova Scotia, so he might have a clue what he's talking about.

OTTAWA

From glad-handing in the safe Aylmer riding of Gatineau, to visiting the specialty-nursing program at Algonquin College, Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion made the capital the focus of his election campaign to start last week. But the real spotlight shined on Ottawa Wednesday and last night, when the televised leaders' debates — featuring Green Party Leader Elizabeth May for the first time ever — overtook the National Arts Centre. There was a festive atmosphere as Greens rallied among other political supporters outside the NAC to greet May as she arrived for the debates, and at nearby pubs afterwards, where local Green candidates, volunteers and supporters had rented space to hold Survivor-style TV parties to watch the debates together — complete with decorations and people dressing up to the Green theme.

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Bob Rae

MONTREAL

On Wednesday, a Montreal newspaper published excerpts of Julie Couillard's book, My Life, about her past relationship with ex-foreign affairs minister Maxime Bernier, who is running again in Beauce, near Quebec City. Although Couillard is talking about a man who referred to Stephen Harper as a "Pepsi drinker" and who asked her to throw top-secret documents in the garbage, Beauce voters still seem to be rooting for Bernier. Bernier denied all the allegations on Wednesday, saying his only mistake was to go out with Couillard.

CALGARY

Calgary Northeast Independent conservative candidate Roger Richard was ordered to change his signs and pamphlets by an Alberta Court of Queen's Bench judge who said they too closely resembled Conservative Party of Canada candidate Devinder Shory's signs, which could confuse voters. Former Liberal prime minister Paul Martin and prized Liberal candidate Bob Rae will be visiting the city today in an effort to bolster support.

EDMONTON

Things were getting hot in Edmonton's eastern suburbs as NDP candidate Brian Labelle railed against a Sherwood Park Chamber of Commerce forum that charges candidates $220 to participate. The chamber in the community of 60,000 on Edmonton's eastern boundary defended the fee as necessary to cover costs. Labelle — on voters' radar since his dad was convicted of threatening to kill Premier Ed Stelmach's cows — said he wouldn't participate if he had to pay. The controversy was defused when an anonymous donor volunteered to foot the bill. There was no word on whether the chamber would continue its practice of charging candidates for the privilege of participating in a debate.

VANCOUVER

Jack Layton had to defend another B.C. NDP candidate this week after the Liberals brought to light a year-old radio interview where New Democrat Bev Colins said she believes the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks were the result of a conspiracy. She has since issued a statement saying she now believes terrorists were behind the attacks.

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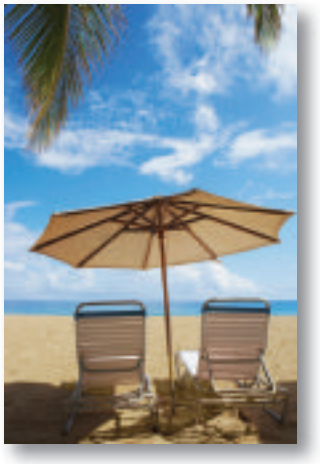

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Wreckage of missing U.S. adventurer Steve Fossett found

Searchers have found the wreckage of Steve Fossett's plane in California's rugged Sierra Nevada, just two days after a hiker found Fossett's identification. No human remains were found in the wreckage. The millionaire adventurer vanished on a solo flight just over a year ago. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Head of London police resigns

The head of London's Metropolitan Police has resigned amid a tenure marred by controversy, citing a lack of support from Mayor Boris Johnson. Sir Ian Blair presided over the agency when a Brazilian electrician mistaken for a suicide bomber was shot to death by police two weeks after the 2005 London transit attacks. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Baghdad blasts kill 24

Attacks target mosques

Suicide bombers targeted Shiite worshippers as they left morning prayers yesterday at two Baghdad mosques, killing 24 people and wounding more than 50 others, police said.

The bombings in Baghdad occurred as Shiite worshippers celebrated the end of Ramadan.

No group claimed responsibility, but attacks on Shiite civilians are widely associated with Sunni extremists — like al Qaeda — hoping to reignite the sectarian conflict that pushed the country to the brink of civil war two years ago.

In the deadliest attack, a suicide car bomber in a white Mercedes sedan detonated his explosives about 20 metres from a mosque in Zafaraniyah in southeastern Baghdad.

That attack killed 14 people and injured 28, police said.

In the other attack, a suicide bomber who appeared to be in his late teens detonated his explosive belt as worshippers were leaving the Rasoul mosque in the capital's eastern New Baghdad district.

There, 10 people died and 24 were injured, police and officials at the al-Kindi and Ibn al-Nasif hospitals said.

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Soldier sentenced

- U.S. army Specialist Steven Ribordy has been sentenced to eight months in prison after pleading guilty to charges of accessory to murder in the killings of four bound and blindfolded Iraqi prisoners.

Texas **Ike's aftermath**

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A sign marks the address where a home once stood in the aftermath of Hurricane Ike yesterday in Gilchrist, Texas.

Stampede death toll 224

INDIA Police say the death toll in a stampede at a Hindu temple in Jodhpur rose to 224 yesterday.

The announcement came as the government asked a retired judge to probe the cause of the disaster that took place at dawn on Tuesday in the western Indian city.

Officials say the death toll went up after police found that several local people had taken their dead relatives home and later cremated them without informing authorities.

The disaster happened as the temple doors were being opened for more than 12,000 people celebrating a key Hindu festival.

Temple officials say a group of 200 pilgrims jostled with the crowd and tried to move ahead, causing some people to slip down the narrow two-kilometre path leading to the temple.

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Rumours

- False rumours of a bomb added to the chaos at the temple, worshippers said.

Spy agency computer stolen

BRITAIN A handheld computer reportedly belonging to Britain's domestic spy agency has been stolen from a house in northern England.

Police in the city of Manchester confirmed in a statement that a house had been broken into over the weekend and that an encrypted handheld computer was stolen. It is believed the burglar entered the house through an open window.

Press Association said the house was being rented by the domestic spy service MI-5.

There have been a number of security breaches recently in Britain. A British newspaper reported Tuesday that a camera sold on EBay was said to contain images of terror suspects.

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News in brief

ANNIVERSARY Barack Obama would like one simple thing for his 16th wedding anniversary — a quiet date with his wife. Obama says he's putting his campaign on hold tonight to fly back to Chicago and take his wife, Michelle, out to an Italian restaurant.

SUICIDE The New York City police lieutenant who gave the order to Taser a man who then fell to his death, has apparently committed suicide. The lieutenant was found in Brooklyn yesterday, dead of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound.

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No initial public offerings on the TSX

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Stocks battered

Recession fears eclipse U.S. bailout boost

North American stock markets fell sharply yesterday as anxious investors looked past a monster bailout package for Wall Street to focus on an American recession and a global economic slowdown.

Losses on Toronto's main stock index eclipsed those on Wall Street as raw-materials and energy stocks suffered punishing losses. Analysts said investors are worried that America's economic anguish could mar global growth, and demand for commodities.

"The Canadian market always gets hit harder when commodities go down."
Barry Allan

The S&P/TSX Composite Index lost 813.97 points or about 7 per cent to close at 10,900.54, marking its biggest drop since Oct. 25, 2000. The TSX has now fallen 27.68 per cent from its June 18 record high.

Wall Street's Dow Jones Industrial Average, meanwhile, lost 348.22 points or 3.2 per cent to 10,482.85.

"The Canadian market always gets hit harder when commodities go down because we're a commodity-driven economy," said Research Capital Corp. analyst Barry Allan.

Energy, metals and agricultural commodities make up more than half Canada's exports. The United States buys about three quarters of the total, making it Canada's biggest single trading partner.

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Manitoba suing EPA over ruling

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IMP workers stay off the job

WORK Members of the union representing 500 airplane mechanics, technicians and tradesmen employed by Halifax-based IMP Aerospace refused to go to work yesterday in a dispute over health and safety issues. IMP has repair and service contracts with the Canadian military. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Paris show **Smart goes electric**

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Mercedes-Benz unveils its electric Smart car at the Paris Auto Show yesterday. Production of the Smart ED begins next year for deliveries to European cities such as London, Paris and Berlin. The ED, short for electric drive, has a range of 150 km.

Credit squeeze limits plans for mergers and acquisitions

Crumbling international stock markets are putting a damper on the ability of Canadian companies to shore up with new capital, while mergers and acquisitions that once seemed certain are being tossed by the wayside.

"Fundamentals have been thrown out the window," said Ann Wilkinson, vice-president of investor relations at miner Breakwater Resources Ltd.

"There are two driving forces in stock markets — greed and fear — and greed is nowhere to be seen."

While many industries are affected by the credit squeeze, the capital-intensive miners are particularly vulnerable. Breakwater's shares have lost 94 per cent over the past year, dropping from a 52-week high of $3.41 to a five-year low of 19 cents yesterday.

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GE shares tumble after discount

OFFER Shares of General Electric Co. skidded 9 per cent yesterday as the industrial and commercial conglomerate announced a share offering that will be priced at a discount to the stock's closing price Wednesday of $24.50 US.

GE priced 547.8 million shares at $22.25 US each – the same price GE extended to Warren Buffett, who Wednesday received warrants to buy $3 billion worth of common stock over the next five years.

GE's share price has been battered for weeks as investors fled companies with exposure to financial services. Half of GE's profit comes from its finance arm, which does business in credit cards, commercial real estate and other financial services. The stock rebounded after Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc. agreed to invest in GE preferred shares. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In brief

GUARANTEE Irish President Mary McAleese has signed a sweeping bank-guarantee bill into law, granting protection to all deposits with Irish-owned banks. The deal commits Ireland to insure deposits and interbank debts of six Dublin institutions totalling $600 billion.

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Five players to watch out for this season

A look at five players to watch this season in the NHL:

Martin Brodeur, New Jersey Devils

Skinny: Brodeur is likely to pass Patrick Roy's NHL record of 551 regular-season wins by a goaltender and add fuel to the debate over which Quebec-born goalie was the best.

Marian Hossa, Detroit Red Wings

Skinny: The high-scoring Slovak right-winger was sent from Atlanta to Pittsburgh at the trade deadline and helped the Penguins reach the Stanley Cup final. Then he signed a one-year deal with the team that beat Pittsburgh in the final — Detroit.

Patrice Bergeron, Boston Bruins

Skinny: Last Oct. 27, the Bruins' shifty young centre was knocked cold by a hit from Philadelphia's Randy Jones and missed the rest of the season with a severe concussion. There was fear he wouldn't play again, but he resumed skating in March and reported to training camp feeling no lingering effects.

Carey Price, Montreal Canadiens

Skinny: Optimism runs high in Montreal after the Canadiens finished first in the Eastern Conference. Much depends on the play of their highly touted second-year goaltender, who foundered in the playoffs last spring. Price says he ran out of steam, but showed up to camp looking fit and ready.

Jeff Finger, Toronto Maple Leafs

Skinny: Finger is a decent defenceman who toiled 4½ years in the minors before making it to the NHL with Colorado in 2007. Now he's thrown into hockey's brightest spotlight as the rebuilding Leafs' main off-season acquisition, inking a four-year, US$14-million contract that has been widely panned as excessive.

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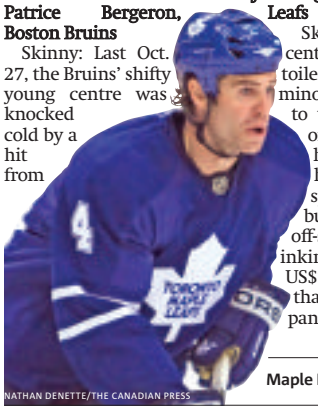

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Maple Leafs' Jeff Finger

Be patient Leafs fans

Toronto will likely take a step back with younger team

No one is expecting the Toronto Maple Leafs to compete for the Stanley Cup this year, which is ultimately what makes this season so different from any other during the past decade.

Rightly or wrongly, this franchise has fashioned itself a contender every year since Pat Quinn first arrived to become head coach in 1998.

That is, until now.

Interim GM Cliff Fletcher and new coach Ron Wilson have both been very open about that fact already. And their candour really shouldn't come as a surprise.

After all, the Maple Leafs missed the playoffs the last three seasons and are now without captain Mats Sundin and longtime core players Darcy Tucker and Bryan McCabe. Those departures weren't followed by a series of quick-fix signings either.

Instead, the key decision-makers in the organization claim they are prepared to be patient while some younger players get the chance to learn on the job.

That showed during the pre-season when the Maple Leafs gave up a late two-goal lead in Buffalo before losing in overtime. Instead of getting frustrated with the team, Wilson got frustrated with some members of the media who expected him to be angry.

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Toronto Maple Leafs' Nikolai Kulemin, a former second-round pick, is expected to provide some scoring punch.

"It was an exhibition game — it didn't bother me at all," said Wilson. "What bothers me is being asked asinine questions while you're trying to give young players a chance.

"We're not going to win the Stanley Cup this year. There's a news flash for you."

Since Fletcher replaced John Ferguson Jr. in January, it has been clear that the Leafs were turning their attention to the future.

The veteran hockey executive dealt Chad Kilger, Hal Gill and Wade Belak at the trade deadline and bought out the contracts of Tucker and Andrew Raycroft during the summer. He also traded McCabe to Florida, put Kyle Wellwood on waivers and let John Pohl and Andy Wozniewski walk away as free agents.

The Maple Leafs team that opens the regular season in Detroit on Oct. 9 will have at least 10 players in the lineup that weren't around for last year's curtain-raiser.

The new faces are a mixture of youngsters and role players. Niklas Hagman, Jeff Finger, Jonas Frogren and Curtis Joseph signed as free agents while Mikhail Grabovsky, Jamal Mayers, Mike Van Ryn and Ryan Hollweg arrived via trades.

Add to that mix former second-round draft pick Nikolai Kulemin and possibly even defenceman Luke Schenn, who was selected fifth overall in June. The plan at the outset of training camp was to send the 18-year-old back to the Western Hockey League but his fine play has given the team reason to reconsider. A decision on Schenn's future won't be made until just before the season starts.

Considering the arrivals and departures, the Leafs will probably take a step back in 2008-09.

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NHL Preview

Wings on track for a repeat

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Veteran Mats Sundin will be relaxing in Sweden, goaltender Roberto Luongo is adding a captaincy to his portfolio and that old familiar theme song (da-da-da-da-da-dah) has jumped from Hockey Night in Canada to TSN.

Yet, with the NHL poised to launch its 2008-09 season this weekend, some things haven't changed a bit.

The Detroit Red Wings, for instance, remain the clear-cut class of the NHL and the consensus is that they'll breeze to a successful defence of their Stanley Cup championship.

"I don't see anything tripping up the Wings," HNIC analyst Don Cherry said. "I see no weakness at all on this team. There's nothing wrong with them. If you're betting, you've got to bet on Detroit to win it all again this year."

Of course, if you bet on the Wings, you're taking the favourite. Oddsmakers have listed them as the cream of the NHL's crop, at 7-to-2. Even star forward Marian Hossa is gambling on the Wings, in reality, because he left millions of dollars on the free-agent table to play with Detroit this season. Ditto for Dan Cleary. Combine these gunners with superstars such as Nicklas Lidstrom, Henrik Zetterberg and Pavel Datsyuk and it's simple to understand why the Wings are generally perceived as the team to beat. They have scorers and grit on every line. They have an outstanding defence corps. They've been there and they've done it. And they should do it again.

But can any of the Canadian teams threaten them?

Super Luongo

- From Yahoo NHL expert Ross McKeon: "Hate to hit on the obvious, but it looks like Roberto Luongo is going to have to be Superman to keep the Canucks afloat."

Perhaps the Montreal Canadiens. Celebrating their 100th anniversary, the Habs aren't ranked too far in arrears of the Wings, at 8-to-1.

"Montreal has assembled a massive amount of young talent," TSN analyst Pierre McGuire said. "They have an unbelievable amount of defensive wealth. And (Montreal goaltender Carey) Price has the ultimate opportunity to be one of the most dominant players in the game. The Canadiens could be great this year."

As for the rest of Canada's teams, well, not so much.

The Edmonton Oilers have a nifty blend of youth and experience and could push for a division title but McGuire warns of a potential controversy at goaltender, where veteran Dwayne Roloson isn't pleased as Mathieu Garon's backup.

Oddsmakers list the Oilers' Stanley Cup chances at 20-to-1. The Ottawa Senators, perennial contenders, aren't far behind, at 22-to-1. Then come the Calgary Flames at 25-to-1, the Luongo-led Vancouver Canucks at 44-to-1 and the Sundin-less Toronto Maple Leafs at 100-to-1.

"The Leafs were terrible last season," said Mike Milbury of CBC and NBC, "and I don't see any reason why they'll be better this season. In fri, I think they'll be worse."

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.

Ottawa

- 2007-08: 43-31-8 94 Pts. Seventh in the Eastern Conference.
- **HIGHLY OFFENSIVE:** The Senators had the most goals for (258) in the NHL last season.
- **BIG TOP:** Ottawa's top line of Jason Spezza, Daniel Alfredsson and Dany Heatley combined for a total of 115 goals in 2007-'08.
- **NEARING 500:** F Dany Heatley begins the year with 471 regular season points in his career.
- **THE 700 CLUB:** D Chris Phillips is one game shy of 700.
- **VETERAN:** D Luke Richardson will be playing in his 21st NHL season after beginning his career in 1987. The Ottawa native has played more than 1,400 games with 35-166-201 points and 2,053 penalty minutes.
- **WHO'S GONE:** Forwards Cory Stillman, Brian McGrattan, Martin Lapointe and Randy Robitaille. Defencemen Mike Commodore, Andrej Meszaros and Wade Redden. Goalie Ray Emery
- **WHO'S NEW:** Defencemen Jason Smith, Filip Kuba, Alexandre Picard. Forwards Jarkko Ruutu and Jesse Winchester. Goaltender Alex Auld.

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Montreal

- 2007-08: 47-25-10 104 Pts. First in the Eastern Conference.
- **FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE:** The 35-year-old Alexei Kovalev notched 35 goals and 49 assists last season for easily his best season since recording 95 points in the 2000-01 campaign.
- **TOUGH GUY:** The Habs made a huge pickup in the form of the 6-3, 243-pound winger Georges Laraque, one of the league's top enforcers.
- **PAIRED UP:** Andrei Markov will once again be paired with the immense Mike Komisarek, who packs a wallop at 6-4, 242 pounds and was a plus-nine for the Habs last year. The 26-year-old also had 17 points (4g, 13a) and 101 penalty minutes in 2007-08.
- **THE PRICE IS RIGHT:** 20-year-old rookie Carey Price played well down the stretch for the Habs and ended the season with a 24-12-3 record to go along with a solid 2.56 goals against average and .920 save percentage.
- **EYEING STANLEY:** Last year wasn't a fluke. Expect Montreal to challenge for the No. 1 seed in the East once again and don't be shocked if the team wins it all.

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Calgary

- 2007-08: 42-30-10 94 Pts. Seventh in the Western Conference.
- **STEADY DOES IT:** Calgary's captain combines speed, size, skill and toughness and it's a formula that translates into steady production. Jarome Iginla has averaged 40.4 goals per season over the last seven campaigns.
- **INTIMIDATOR:** The 23-year-old Dion Phaneuf is an intimidating presence on the ice, a defenceman who can deliver points as well as crushing bodychecks. Last year, Phaneuf was fourth on the Flames with 60 points and tops on the club with 182 penalty minutes.
- **ON THE DOWN SLIDE?:** Goaltender Miikka Kiprusoff posted a solid record of 39-26-10, but both his goals against average (2.69) and save percentage (.906) were his worst marks since the Flames acquired him early in the 2003-04 season.
- **FINDING THE RIGHT FIT:** If Darryl Sutter and Mike Keenan can come up with the right line combinations the result could be an offence that doesn't solely rely on Iginla for points the Flames could make a deep postseason charge.

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Edmonton

- 2007-08: 41-35-6 88 Pts. Ninth in the Western Conference.
- **LATE SURGE:** Despite going 14-5-1 in their final 20 games last season, the Oilers missed the playoffs for the second year in a row.
- **THE KIDS:** The Kid Line of Sam Gagner, Andrew Cogliano and Robert Nilsson led the way in the stretch drive. With an encore from that trio, the addition of Eric Cole and Lubomir Visnovsky and the return of Sheldon Souray, Ethan Moreau and Shawn Horcoff from injuries, optimists believe the Oilers will challenge for the Northwest Division title.
- **KEEP AN EYE ON:** The first line of Cole, Horcoff and Ales Hemsky.
- **ONE TO WATCH:** Hemsky. Led the Oilers with 21-50-71 last season. A lot of pundits believe he can be a 90-point player.
- **BURNING QUESTION:** Is Mathieu Garon a legitimate No. 1 stopper?
- **WHO'S GONE:** Matt Greene, Joni Pitkanen, Marty Reasoner, Geoff Sanderson, Jarret Stoll, Raffi Torres.
- **WHO'S NEW:** Erik Cole, Lubomir Visnovsky, Jason Strudwick, Gilbert Brule.

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Vancouver

- 2007-08: 39-33-10 88 Pts. Eleventh in the Western Conference.
- **"Yeah, but who is going to score goals?":** For the third straight year, that's the main question in Vancouver. There's no easy answer based on what's been assembled over the summer, but GM Mike Gillis believes the move to a more up-tempo style of play will result in more scoring.
- **THE BIG 'C':** Roberto Luongo's invisible "C" stands for "cash", as he's been money between the pipes.
- **VETERANS CLUB:** Mattias Ohlund, Willie Mitchell, and Sami Salo anchor a deep blue-line.
- **21 JUMP STREET:** Sophomore Alex Edler will be asked to join the rush more often, as will Kevin Bieksa.
- **TWIN BURNER:** Newcomer Steve Bernier is this year's triplet on the Sedin line.
- **SEEING STARS?:** Pavol Demitra will play with Taylor Pyatt and Mason Raymond, who he says remind him of Keith Tkachuk and Marian Gaborik.
- **BOTTOM LINE:** The Canucks' stingy defence puts them in the dogfight for one of the final three playoff spots in the West.

METRO CANADA

Schedule

Leafs games for 2008-09

OCTOBER
9 at Detroit, 8
11 Montreal, 7
13 St. Louis, 1
17 at N.Y. Rangers, 7
18 at Pittsburgh, 7
21 Anaheim, 7
23 at Boston, 7
25 Ottawa, 7
28 Tampa Bay, 7:30
29 at New Jersey, 7:30

NOVEMBER
1 N.Y. Rangers, 7
2 at Carolina, 5
4 Carolina, 7:30
6 at Boston, 7
8 Montreal, 7
11 at Calgary, 9
13 at Edmonton, 9
15 at Vancouver, 7
17 Boston, 7:30
22 Chicago, 7
25 Atlanta, 7:30
27 at Ottawa, 7:30
29 Philadelphia, 7

DECEMBER
1 at Los Angeles, 10:30
2 at San Jose, 10:30
4 at Phoenix, 9
6 Washington, 7
8 N.Y. Islanders, 7:30
12 at Buffalo, 7:30
16 New Jersey, 7:30
18 at Boston, 7
20 at Pittsburgh, 7
22 at Atlanta, 7
23 Dallas, 7:30
26 at N.Y. Islanders, 7
28 at Washington, 7
30 Atlanta, 7:30

JANUARY
1 Buffalo, 7
3 Ottawa, 7
6 Florida, 7:30
8 at Montreal, 7:30
10 at Philadelphia, 7
13 Nashville, 7:30
15 at Carolina, 7
16 at Atlanta, 7:30
19 Carolina, 7:30
21 Boston, 7:30
27 at Minnesota, 8
29 at Colorado, 9
31 Pittsburgh, 7

FEBRUARY
3 Florida, 7:30
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12 at Tampa Bay, 7:30
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21 Vancouver, 7
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28 at Ottawa, 7

MARCH
3 New Jersey, 7:30
5 at Washington, 7
7 Edmonton, 7
9 at Ottawa, 7:30
10 N.Y. Islanders, 7:30
12 Tampa Bay, 7:30
14 Calgary, 7
17 at Tampa Bay, 7:30
19 at Florida, 7:30
21 at Montreal, 7
24 Washington, 7
27 at Buffalo, 7:30
28 Boston, 7

APRIL
1 Philadelphia, 7:30
3 at Philadelphia, 7
4 Montreal, 7
7 at New Jersey, 7
8 Buffalo, 7:30
11 Ottawa, 7

(home games in bold)

NHL keeping an eye on Toronto, Anahiem

The NHL will be keeping its eyes on the Toronto Maple Leafs and Anahiem Ducks this season. The Ducks GM Brian Burke is rumoured to be headed to Toronto next season and the league will reportedly be watching for any suspicous dealings this season. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Longoria, Rays a big hit

Rays 6, White Sox 4

Evan Longoria finished 3-for-3 with two home runs and three RBIs as Tampa Bay made its post-season debut a winning one, with a 6-4 triumph over the Chicago White Sox in Game 1 of the American League Division Series at Tropicana Field.

Akinori Iwamura was 2-for-4 with an RBI and a run scored for the Rays, who earned the first playoff berth in franchise history by winning the AL East with a 97-65 record.

James Shields (1-0) notched the win after allowing six hits and three runs. Game 2 of this best-of-five series is tonight in Tampa Bay.

JULIE JACOBSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Philadelphia Phillies' Shane Victorino, right, celebrates with teammates Jimmy Rollins (11) and Pedro Feliz (7) after hitting a grand slam against the Milwaukee Brewers during Game 2 of the National League Division Series yesterday in Philadelphia.

Phillies 5, Brewers 2

The Philadelphia Phillies took a commanding 2-0 lead in the NLDS yesterday as they rode a five-run second inning to their 5-2 win over the Milwaukee Brewers.

Shane Victorino hit a two-out, grand slam to lead the way in the second.

Pedro Feliz doubled to left scoring Jayson Werth earlier in the inning.

Phillies starting pitcher Brett Myers struggled early, walking three in the first including one with the bases loaded to hand the Brewers their first run of the game. Myers would settle down though, throwing seven innings, allowing two hits and striking out three. Their next game goes Saturday in Milwaukee. METRO NEWS SERVICES

NBA ref acted alone in betting scandal: Report

TIM DONAGHY A review of the NBA's officiating program found no evidence of illegal activity by any referee other than Tim Donaghy, though it recommended significant changes for monitoring gambling and game integrity.

The report, compiled over 14 months by former federal prosecutor Lawrence Pedowitz and released yesterday, called for the creation of a "culture of compliance" and closer monitoring of games for suspicious activity.

Pedowitz made three key recommendations to the league: Create a hot line to anonymously raise questions about gambling and game integrity issues; make available any complaints the league receives about refs — beginning in the 2008-09 playoffs — to both teams to avoid suspicions of bias; provide more access to referees for both fans and media.

Commissioner David Stern ordered the investigation last year after former referee Donaghy was charged with betting on games he officiated and providing inside information to gambling associates to win their bets.

He's currently serving a 15-month sentence after pleading guilty to conspiracy to engage in wire fraud and transmitting betting information through interstate commerce. The report agreed with the federal government that there was no evidence Donaghy affect the outcome of games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tim Donaghy

News in brief

FOOTBALL CFL commissioner Mark Cohon announced yesterday that, effective immediately, the league has set new standards aimed at enhancing player safety. Included in that is mandatory suspensions for those violating the policy. The new rules put bans on spearing to the helmet or facemask of an opposing player, throwing a helmet in a reckless and dangerous manner, and violently kicking, punching, kneeing, or stomping an opponent who is in a defenceless position.

CHELIOS It appears that Red Wings defenceman Chris Chelios' injury is worse than originally anticipated as the three-time Norris trophy winner will miss at least the next six weeks with a fractured bone in his leg. The 46-year-old Chelios sustained the injury while blocking a shot during Tuesday's game against the Canadiens and said it is a deep bruise. He had three goals and nine assists in 69 games with the Red Wings last season. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Must win for TFC Saturday

MLS Toronto FC head coach John Carver said his team had lowered its post-season hopes after earning a single point in last Saturday's draw against the Houston Dynamo, but said yesterday subsequent losses by New York and Kansas City — two teams TFC trails for the final playoff slot — boosted his team's hopes of playing into November. If TFC can win tomorrow in New York.

John Carver

"After last week I thought we were dead and buried," Carver said. "You've got to rely on other results, but you've got to produce your own results."

In other news, TFC captain Jim Brennan will be available for the Oct. 11 match against FC Dallas. He had been expected to compete for Canada against Honduras. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

SCOREBOARD

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE
DIVISIONAL SERIES PLAYOFFS
BEST OF FIVE
L.A. Angels vs. Boston
TODAY'S GAME
Boston at L.A. Angels, 9:37
SUNDAY'S GAME
L.A. Angels at Boston, 3:07
(Boston leads series 1-0)
Tampa Bay vs. Chicago W. Sox
YESTERDAY'S GAME
Tampa Bay 6 Chicago 4
TONIGHT'S GAME
Chicago at Tampa Bay, 6:07
SUNDAY'S GAME
Tampa Bay at Chicago, 3:07
(Tampa Bay leads series 1-0)
NATIONAL LEAGUE
DIVISIONAL SERIES PLAYOFFS
BEST OF FIVE
Chicago Cubs vs. L.A. Dodgers
YESTERDAY'S GAME
L.A. Dodgers at Chicago Cubs, 9:37
SATURDAY'S GAME
Chicago Cubs at L.A. Dodgers, 10:07
(Dodgers lead series 1-0)
Philadelphia vs. Milwaukee
YESTERDAY'S GAME
Philadelphia 5 Milwaukee 2
SATURDAY'S GAME
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 6:37
(Philadelphia leads series 2-0)
TONIGHT'S GAMES
B.C. at Toronto, 7
Calgary at Saskatchewan, 10
SATURDAY'S GAMES
Montreal at Hamilton, 4
Winnipeg at Edmonton, 7

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
x-Montreal	9	4	0	18
Winnipeg	5	8	0	10
Toronto	4	9	0	8
Hamilton	2	11	0	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Calgary	9	4	0	18
B.C.	8	5	0	16
Saskatchewan	8	5	0	16
Edmonton	7	6	0	14

(x — clinched playoff spot)
WEEK 15

NFL

WEEK 5
SUNDAY'S GAMES
Chicago at Detroit, 1
San Diego at Miami, 1
Atlanta at Green Bay, 1
Seattle at N.Y. Giants, 1
Tennessee at Baltimore, 1
Indianapolis at Houston, 1
Kansas City at Carolina, 1
Washington at Philadelphia, 1
Tampa Bay at Denver, 4:05
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Suit settled
Bosses at Miramax film studios have settled a lawsuit over the profits from the hit movie Chicago, paying one of the film's producers a reported $9 million US. IMDB.COM

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Anne's castaway Pg 24

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Anne Hathaway offers a stunningly vivid portrayal of Kym, the black sheep of the family, in the film Rachel Getting Married — an honest and affectionate picture about dysfunctional people that hails the return of director Jonathan Demme's greatness.

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Nick and Norah's a new play on American Graffiti.

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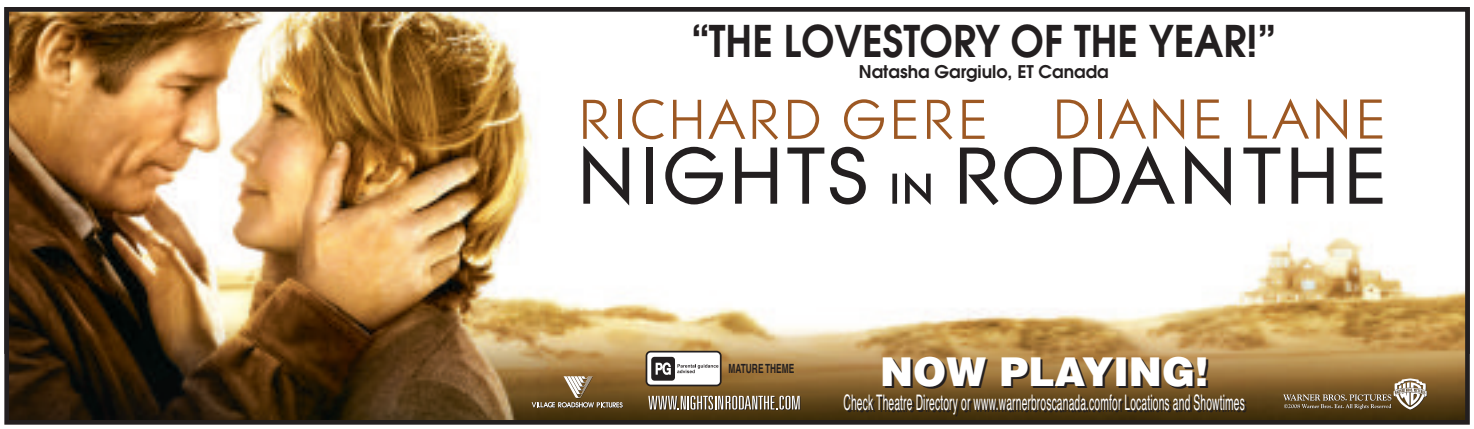
Elicia MacKenzie takes the stage in The Sound of Music.



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An honest look at family

Director Jonathan Demme returns to form in Rachel Gettting Marrried

Rachel Getting Married

Director: Jonathan Demme
Stars: Anne Hathaway, Rosemarie Dewitt
Classification: 14A
Rating: ●●●●½

KEVIN COURRIER
for Metro Canada

Anne Hathaway plays the black sheep of the family in Rachel Getting Married.

REVIEW During the '80s, director Jonathan Demme (Melvin and Howard, Something Wild) demonstrated one of the most open, democratic spirits in American movies.

But it was after he was honoured with an Academy Award for the uncharacteristically turgid Silence of the Lambs in 1991, that celebrated open-heartedness went largely missing from his work (Philadelphia, Beloved).

In the moving and richly textured Rachel Getting Married, Demme's supple touch thankfully returns. Like last year's Margot at the Wedding, Rachel Getting Married also examines unresolved family issues and the skeletons that come tumbling out of the closet.

But unlike the smugly mean-spirited Margot, Rachel Getting Married is an honest and affectionate picture about dysfunctional people.

Kym (Anne Hathaway), the black sheep of the clan, returns to her family home for the wedding of her sister Rachel (Rosemarie Dewitt). But her arrival initially stirs up more grief than happy memories. Throughout the course of the day, the party struggles to find union and an acceptance of their differences.

Without a trace of self-consciousness, Anne Hathaway gives her most vividly engaging performance on the screen. She is given ample support as well from a terrific ensemble including Dewitt, Bill Irwin as her desperate-to-please father, and Debra Winger as her quietly anxious mother.

In Rachel Getting Married, Jonathan Demme has once again renewed his vows with the movie audience.

Hayek to join UNICEF effort

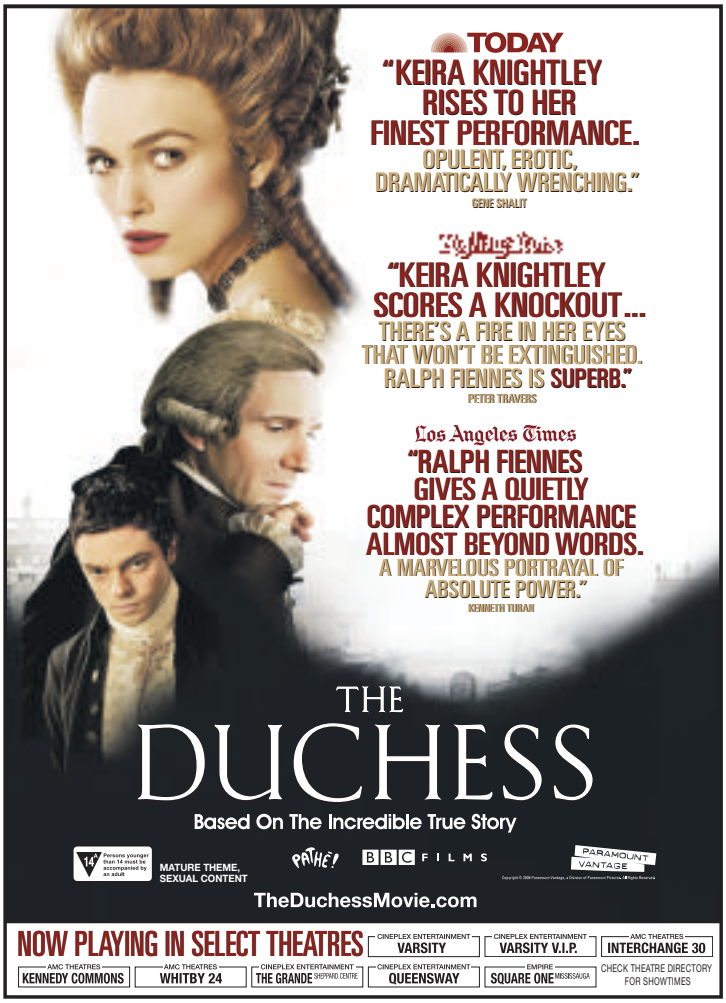
FILM Hollywood mom Salma Hayek is lending her star power to a UNICEF campaign to eradicate tetanus in mothers and babies around the world within four years.

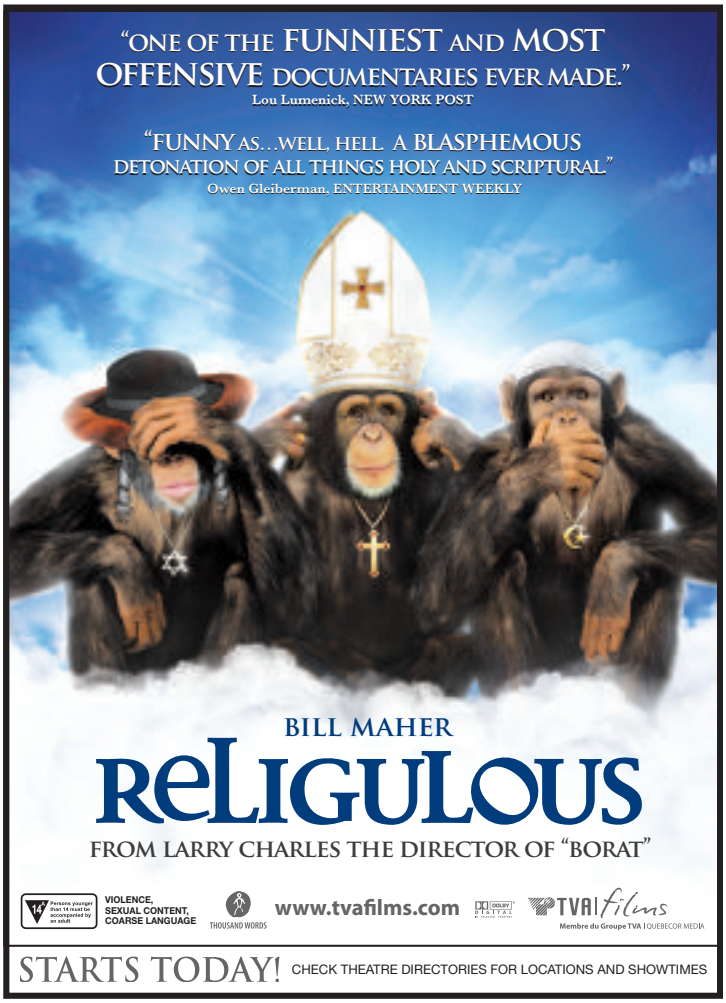
Hayek, a paid spokeswoman for Pampers' tetanus vaccine program, recounted her experiences during a recent trip to the West African nation of Sierra Leone, where she met with tetanus victims.

"One of the things that was very moving about the trip was to see 15-year-old girls, really young, taking responsibility for their lives and their children before they're born by saying, 'I am going to be healthy, I am going to take this vaccination,'" she said.

Salma Hayek

The Pampers-UNICEF partnership has provided more than 50 million vaccines. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**





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Maher takes it easy in Religulous

Religulous

Director: Larry Charles
Stars: Bill Maher
Classification: 14A
Rating: 🌐🌐

RICK MCGINNIS
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Bill Maher faces off with the faithful in Religulous.

REVIEW For a man who seems altogether proud of his atheism, Bill Maher comes off with an evangelical fervour for his cause by the time Religulous sums itself up, shifting gears from a comic odyssey through the lunatic fringe of true believers to pleading the cause of doubt and secularism with a zeal that itself calls for some satirical response.

It's hard not to find something to laugh at in the film Maher and director Larry Charles have made. Having persisted throughout the history of mankind, religion has produced more than its share of apparent absurdities, and since Charles and Maher seem mostly interested in shooting fish in a barrel, their subject has provided them with a virtual Seaworld of targets.

Almost without fail, Maher goes for the easy shots, picking from the usual gallery of greedy American evangelicals through the risible tenets of Mormons and Scientologists before proceeding from the fundamentalist edge of Judaism to the murderous manifestations of Islam. (For some reason, Buddhists, Hindus and Zoroastrians get off scot-free.)

To do this, Maher has to work from the presumption that every religion is basically identical, and that its most gullible, disingenuous or intolerant practitioners speak for the rest.

In Amsterdam, Maher does a shambling interview with the self-appointed head of a Church of Cannabis, who may be the sole priest and parishioner of his faith, and who mostly serves to play an unwitting Chong to Maher's Cheech.

He spares his abundant sarcasm with two Catholic priests he meets in Rome, however — the director of the Vatican Observatory provides a useful refutation of creationism, while an elderly padre he meets in St. Peter's Square amuses Maher with a curmudgeonly dismissal of biblical literalism.

Maher relies almost exclusively on "gotcha" moments and relentlessly massaged editing of his interviews to make his point, cut with old movies and cornball biblical epics to provide the rimshots for his punch lines.

Since his targets of opportunity are so broadly chosen, almost anyone will find something to laugh at in Religulous. But ultimately, Maher is preaching to the choir with an undisguised dishonesty that only the true believers will forgive.

Kinnear anchors Genius

Flash of **Genius**

Director: Marc Abraham
Stars: Greg Kinnear
Classification: PG
Rating: 🌐🌐🌐

STEVE GOW
For Metro Canada

REVIEW Flash of Genius isn't an easy movie to sell to audiences: It's opening on a weekend opposite no less than a dozen other films. It doesn't feature a major star (unless Greg Kinnear makes you giddy), and it's about the guy who created the intermittent windshield wiper — not exactly the sort of invention that leaves most mouths gaping in awe.

Set in the heyday of the automobile, Kinnear plays Robert Kearns, an eccentric college professor who invents a new wiper. When the Ford Motor Co. shows just enough interest to get his prototype and steal the idea, Kearns must take on the auto giant to regain his dignity even though it costs him his family and, by all indication, his sanity.

As the film briefly shows, Kearns did crack during his quest, only to be found travelling by bus to Washington, convinced then-President Richard Nixon had commissioned him to design a car.

Making his directorial debut, veteran producer Marc Abraham focuses not on such dark detail but on the inspirational side of Kearns's story, essentially turning a tale about an eccentric everyman and his laborious court case into a bittersweet Capra-esque family film.

An exceptional performance by Kinnear anchors the drama, but ultimately the film suffers from a bland positivity. One of the film's producers recently told the New York Times, "the real Bob Kearns was 10 times as paranoid."

It might've paid off to see a bit less genius and more of whatever put Kearns on that bus to Washington.

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A script for the dogs

Beverly Hills **Chihuahua**

Director: Raja Gosnell
Stars: Drew Barrymore, Andy Garcia
Classification: G
Rating: ●●

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Beverly Hills Chihuahua

REVIEW These days, it seems Hollywood producers are all wondering the same thing: If my dog could speak, what would it say?

Well, Beverly Hills Chihuahua is the latest talking animal flick to heed that query and — according to one cheeky chihuahua at least — the answer is, "Oh no she didn't!"

Featuring the voices of Drew Barrymore, Andy Garcia and other celebs, Chihuahua is a harmless tail (Ha!) about a snooty, rich lapdog that gets lost in Mexico and must journey back to Rodeo Drive.

Along the way, she encounters a mélange of muttering mutts and an annoying animated rat-iguana duo that, in the end, teach us life lessons.

This family outing is not terrible. Assembled by Scooby-Doo director Raja Gosnell, the animation integrates well enough with the live action, but the same can't be said for the dialogue.

A simplistic, mediocre script handicaps the film from truly capturing its audiences' imagination, obviously imperative in a talking-dog movie.

In fact, it's easier to believably envisage the dollar signs Andy Garcia must have had for eyeballs when he was offered this gig than it is to consider this set of chatty chihuahuas.

Playlist gets youthful boost

Nick & Norah's **Infinite Playlist**

Director: Peter Sollett
Stars: Michael Cera, Kat Dennings, Alexis Dziena
Classification: PG
Rating: ●●●½

RICK MCGINNIS
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Michael Cera and Kat Dennings play the title duo in Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist.

REVIEW While older critics and viewers won't be able to resist comparing the film to American Graffiti, younger audiences at Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist might chafe at their presumption.

The filmmakers and studio are really hoping young audiences are willing to embrace the movie as their own and see it. The bad news is that, should Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist take off with the college-and-under set, chances are they'll probably be downloading it illegally.

Michael Cera is the Nick of the title, a woeful recent dumpee still hung up on his breakup with Tris (Alexis Dziena), a girl both clearly out of his league and eminently worth his friends' scorn.

The only straight member of a queercore band, he captures the attention of Norah (Kat Dennings), a schoolmate of Tris', after a gig, when she chooses him randomly to pretend to be her boyfriend to spite Tris. She's forced to keep up the fiction when Tris suddenly comes over all possessive with her discarded beau, and the three of them head out, friends in tow, on a rambling night in Manhattan in search of a super-secret surprise gig by their fave band.

Steeped with references to indie bands and cameos by Saturday Night Live cast members, the film gets the tone of urban culture and fledgling hipsters mostly right, thanks to the performances director Peter Sollett gets from Cera and Dennings and the rest of the youthful cast.

Everyone sounds comfortable with the wry, sarcastic but wholly defensive rhetoric wielded by young people, though Ari Graynor's performance as Caroline — Norah's helplessly drunk and guileless best friend — threatens to steal most of her scenes.

Like any romance, the film is a plea for true love and the triumph of innocence over cynicism, even as the camera coyly wanders away from showing the young lovers consummating their love with a finger-bang on a couch in a famous New York recording studio.

That the film can embrace queercore and finger-bangs and still look like one of the more virtuous depictions of teen life out there says a lot about kids today.

Movies

⊕⊕⊕⊕⊕ A CLASSIC; ⊕⊕⊕⊕ EXCELLENT; ⊕⊕⊕ GOOD; ⊕⊕ FAIR; ⊕ POOR

Divorce, harassment dogged actress Jin-Sil

FAREWELL One of South Korea's most popular actresses was found dead yesterday in an apparent suicide, after suffering from post-divorce depression and harassment that included online rumours about her allegedly irregular financial dealings, police said.

Choi Jin-sil

Choi Jin-sil, 39, whose fame earned her the nickname "The Nation's Actress," is believed to have hanged herself in the bathroom of her Seoul home, said Yang Jae-ho, chief investigator at Seoul's Seocho Police Station.

Family members said she had been depressed since a 2004 divorce and was distraught over rumours linking her to the suicide of a fellow actor a month ago, he said. She had denied the rumours that she had pressed the actor to pay back a large loan.

"It's obviously suicide," Yang told reporters, citing a doctor's examination of Choi's body and testimony from family members and friends. He said an investigation was underway.

An autopsy was planned for later in the day.

No formal suicide note has been found but Choi sent her make-up assistant cell phone text messages twice Wednesday night asking her to "take care of (my) children no matter what happens" and telling her that "I'm sorry," the investigator said.

Choi's mother told police that the actress returned home drunk around midnight Wednesday, crying and denying the rumour surrounding the other actor's suicide, before going into the bathroom, Yang said.

Choi made her debut in the late 1980s and as a bright-eyed ingenue, quickly becoming one of South Korea's best-loved actresses.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

No stuffiness about this Butler

STEVE GOW
For Metro Canada

Gerard Butler has one thing he wants you to know about his latest movie, RocknRolla: "It's not brain surgery. It's not going to change people's lives, but it is really fun."

It's not that surprising Butler comes across so cavalier during a recent interview in Toronto. After all, dressed in casual jeans and T-shirt, the laid-back actor prefers to be called "Gerry" and carries an aura of unrefined honesty about him.

It's unclear whether that stems from his Scottish heritage or the assuredness that comes with making such cinematic blockbusters as 300.

Maybe it's just the sheer pleasure of having a job that you love.

"Acting," Butler simply offers, is the greatest part of showbiz. "There's many other things you do that are not about making a movie and I didn't know it was going to be like that, but my favourite thing is literally the pure part of acting."

Gerard Butler wants you to call him Gerry.

It's probably easy for Butler to say that while promoting RocknRolla — a hilarious crime-caper that hits theatres Wednesday. Written and directed by Guy Ritchie (Snatch), the drama stars Butler as a small-time crook that gets caught up in a twisted, labyrinthine real-estate scam that pits him against a maniacal mobster, indestructible Russian hit men and a buddy who surprisingly comes out of the closet.

"If you were really to truthfully look in our eyes — most of the cast members — then you'd go, 'These guys are having a lot of fun doing this'," admits Butler. "I like it when people (see that) because that is what we want people to see — a movie that they have fun watching but also that they can see everybody had fun making."

Perhaps the main reason the film was such a blast was due to Guy Ritchie's expeditious-but-easy style of filmmaking — a frenetic energy that certainly crosses over into his movies — and surely the foremost lure for Butler.

"What he does is he draws surprisingly interesting characters," observes Butler.

"When you think you're getting to know someone, something completely different happens and that, to me, is a lot of fun to get involved with.

"Plus, he's become a bit of a legend — you think, 'Guy Ritchie! How could I not want to work with that?'"

How to Lose Friends fails to deliver

PHILIP BROWN
For Metro Canada

How To Lose Friends & Alienate People
Director: Robert Weide
Stars: Simon Pegg, Kirsten Dunst, Jeff Bridges
Classification: 14A
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

REVIEW How To Lost Friends & Alienate People has an impeccable comedic pedigree.

The script is based on a bile-filled expose of the media by self-proclaimed narcissistic twat Tony Young, the cast features Simon Pegg and Jeff Bridges, and the project was directed by Curb Your Enthusiasm veteran Robert Weide.

All the pieces are in place for a masterpiece of the comic faux pas … but, sadly, the film fails to deliver. Though hardly a bad movie, the filmmakers rely too heavily on slapstick comedy and sentimentality for it to be anything more than glossy escapism. The book had bite, but the movie is muzzled.

Simon Pegg stars as Sidney Young (all the names in the film were changed to protect the innocent), a wannabe entertainment journalist from England who suddenly finds himself working for a major magazine in New York.

Once Young is established in his new setting, we watch him gradually blow every opportunity through inappropriate behaviour. The book accurately paints Young as an arrogant blowhard who simply can't follow social decorum. It's a hilarious tale of humiliation that ends with Young getting what he deserves.

The movie tries to make Young more agreeable by making him learn how to behave and fall in love with Kirsten Dunst (who has nothing to do but be pretty and likable).

The decision might make the story more palatable for general audiences, but it squanders the best qualities of the source material.

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View art all night long

RAFAEL BRUSILOW
for Metro Toronto

There are a couple choice things that are worth doing all night — this weekend you can count art viewing among them. Nuit Blanche is coming to the city tomorrow for 12 hours of non-stop art-viewing from 6:52 p.m. until sunrise with dozens of unique art installations on display throughout the city.

Toronto's executive director of culture, Rita Davies, says the all-night celebration ought to give people a fresh perspective on the city.

"There's just something quite magical about the idea of staying up all night to get out of your normal groove and see your city in a new light. It's a little mysterious at night — it's magical and romantic," Davies said.

With 145 of the 205 exhibiting artists hailing from Toronto, the event is expected to be a showcase of the city's talent.

"It's very much a celebration of Toronto's artists and their creativity," Davies said.

Staging areas for Nuit Blanche span the whole of Toronto's downtown, including dozens of installations and displays on the main subway line, in the financial core and west toward Lansdowne Avenue. Each zone has its own curator, ensuring variety between staging areas.

The sheer number of installations — at least 185 — means art lovers will have to be picky about what they decide to see, since there are only so many hours in one night. Davies encourages attendees to plan ahead and the Nuit Blanche website at scotiabanknuitblanche.ca even offers a few suggested paths.

Highlights include City Hall being turned into an enormous light display, a zombie takeover of College Park where bystanders will be encouraged to dress up and join a shambling undead army, as well as a guard tower set up by Montreal artist David Olsen at Yonge-Dundas Square, where he'll shine a spotlight on audience members to give them a Warhol-inspired "15 seconds" of fame.

CHRISTOPHER FURLONG/GETTY IMAGES

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"There's just something quite magical about the idea of staying up all night to get out of your normal groove and see your city in a new light."

As for people who truly are famous, Yoko Ono will be exhibiting her most recent work in Liberty Village: A continuation of the famous 1969 "bed-in" she and John Lennon conducted in Toronto, although since Ono herself can't attend, it will have to be the thought that counts.

Zone A Downtown North

This zone is bounded by Dupont Street in the north, Queen Street to the south, Spadina Street in the west and Jarvis Street in the east. Zone A includes some of the city's most iconic institutions and historic neighbourhoods, which will be transformed for a night.

The exhibition — featuring 64 art destinations to explore — will be curated by Kitchener-based writer Gordon Hatt, who previously directed the Rodman Hall Arts Centre in St. Catharines from 2004 to 2007.

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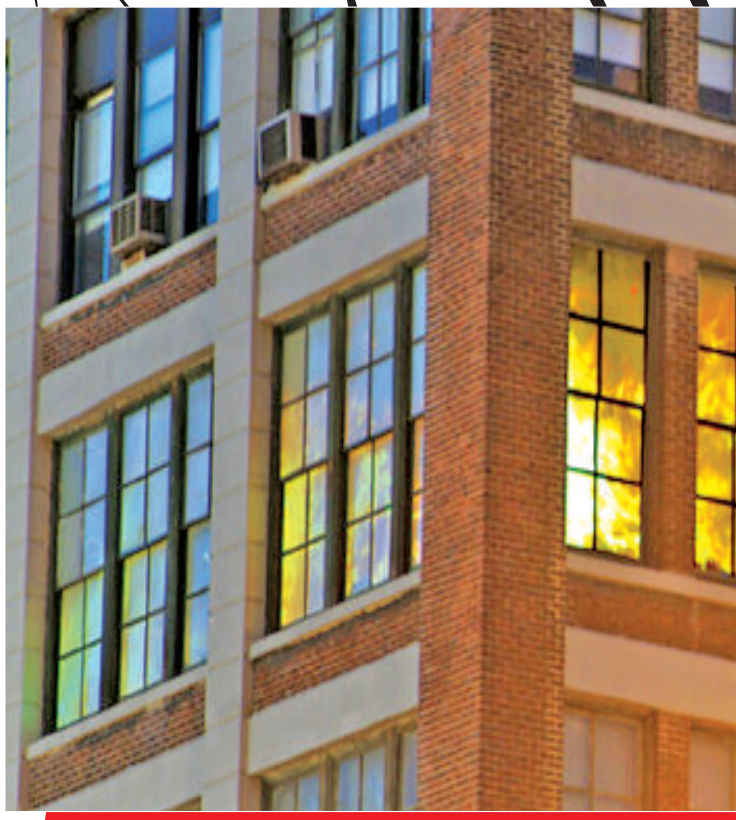
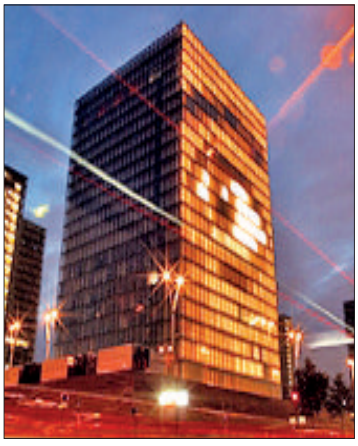


Must-see:

Stereoscope
Toronto City Hall,
100 Queen St. W.

Brought to you by Berlin's Project Blinkenlights, Tim Pritlove and Thomas Fleder, Toronto City Hall's landmark towers morph into a huge display screen by arranging lamps behind each of the building's 960 windows. The façade will be an ever-changing kaleidoscope of images from dusk until dawn.



Purified by Fire
Liberty Market Building and Toy Factory Lofts,
171 East Liberty St., Zone C

American film installation artist Matthew Suib creates the appearance of a

Zombies in Condoland
College Park,
444 Yonge St.

This series of night actions headed by New York performance artist Jillian McDonald invites patrons to "zombify" themselves and take part in a scene mimicking a film screening set for a low-budget horror movie. Guests are encouraged to do their makeup en route, but there will be makeup tents and zombie clothing available.

House of Leaves
Ryerson University Student Centre,
55 Gould St.

Inspired by the book by Mark Z. Danielewski, the installation by Toronto artist Katherine L. Lannin features thousands of pages from books torn from their bindings and fixed to the walls of two buildings at Ryerson University's campus, creating a cave-like structure. The exhibit will challenge ideas of public space.

Sound Forest
Queen's Park North Parkette,
University Avenue, south of Bloor Street and north of College Street

The trees are full of voices in this performance art-based sound installation by Tova Kardonne and Christine Duncan. Singers weave in with the trees and start with a whisper, then climax with a mass chorale. The centre of the hub shifts locations but always stays within the northern third of the park.

Waterfall
Ontario Power Generation Building,
700 University Ave.

Toronto artist Katharine Harvey will suspend a quilt of recyclable plastic from the north side of the Ontario Power Generation building and highlight it with coloured lights to simulate the appearance of a waterfall frozen in time.

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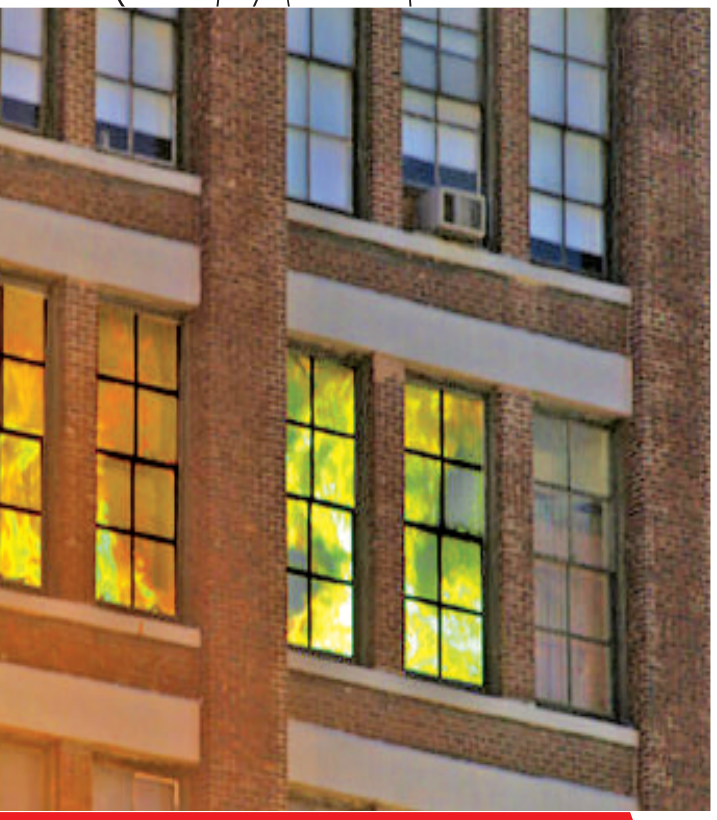


uilding on fire by using video loops — from footage of Stanley Kubrick's
ietnam War film — as rear window projections behind the building.
urified by Fire explores the physical and moral gap that separates the west
rom war and destruction, and examines the notion of regeneration
hrough violence.

Zone B Downtown South

This exhibition is bounded by Queen Street to the north, Queen's Quay Boulevard to the south, Spadina Street to the west and Jarvis Street to the east. This area, which dates back to Toronto's very beginnings, features 42 art projects that blur the line between performer and audience.

The zone is curated by Wayne Baerwaldt, director and curator of exhibitions at the Illingworth Kerr Gallery at the Alberta College of Art and Design.

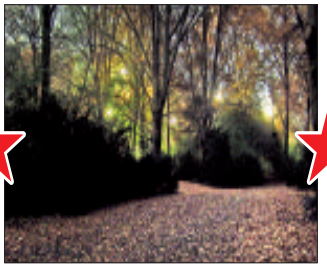
Must-see:

Don Coyote & Quixotic
Cathedral Church of St. James, 65 Church St.

Calgary performance artists Matt Masters and Terrance Houle, along with a six-piece band, present a western cabaret inspired by the classic Don Quixote. It's a tale of a 21st-century Calgarian whose obsession with all things western leaves him believing he's a cowboy troubadour, roaming the land in search of the western aesthetic.

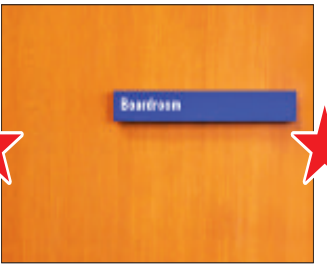
Earth and Sky
Pedestrian walkway/Teamway
York Street, south of Front Street

Brought to you by contemporary artists Shuvinai Ashoona of Cape Dorset, Nunavut and John Noestheden of Pliot Butte, Sask., this mixed-media print banner features varied horizons of where the Earth meets the heavens, creating environments both fictitious and real.



Toronto Nocturnes I
Brookfield Place, Garden Court,
Entrance on Front Street

Ricardo Okaranza of San Sebastian, Spain, presents the nocturnal side of Toronto in this photo installation. His exhibit showcases the dark loneliness and sense of menace in the urban form as night descends on the city. Without people, the artifacts are more visible and build a memorable cityscape.



Commerce Court
Commerce Court,
25 King St. W.

This movie by Winnipeg filmmaker Noam Gonick and starring comedian Roman Danylo, depicts a CEO on the verge of a nervous breakdown as he tries to wrestle with today's fragile and unstable economy — a gauche portrait of the corporate culture on Bay Street.

Benefit Of The Doubt
Court Square Park,
10 Court St.

Toronto sculptor Barr Gilmore presents his work, inspired by the iconic signage of Honest Ed's department store at Bloor Avenue and Bathurst Street, in this courtyard — site of Toronto's last public hanging in 1905. The sculpture acts as contemplation and spectacle and honours the late Ed Mirvish and his contributions to the city.

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Zone C South/West

This year, Zone C's 50 exhibits head south to Liberty Village, bounded by Dundas Street to the north, Lake Shore Boulevard to the south, west to Jameson Avenue and east to Spadina Avenue. This zone is full of trendy cafes, art centres and hotels, and its exhibits are headed by two curators: Dave Dyment, formerly the director of programming at Mercer Union, and Haema Sivanesan, executive director of the South Asian Visual Arts Centre in Toronto.

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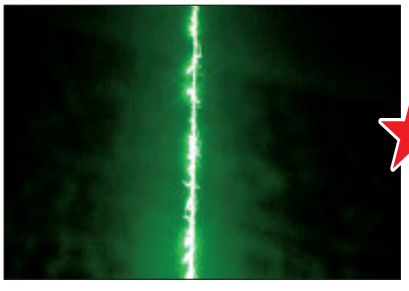
Buffalos In Combat
Public Storage Courtyard,
24 Jefferson Ave.

Pakistani sculptor Hamra Abbas renders a buffalo fight in life-size sculptural form as a take on the normalization of violence in today's society, state-sanctioned terror and its relationship to the underworld.

Must-see:

Euphemisms for the Intimate Enemy
Mowat Avenue,
at Liberty Street

Ruark Lewis of Sydney, Australia, presents his installation of 450 55-gallon drums, exploring the limits of language and its capacity to convey meaning across cultures.



Urban Voice Oscillator
135 Liberty St.,
corner of Liberty and Pardee

Toronto Interactive artists Bruno Billo and Mahan Javadi show their interactive way to play with light through vocal participation. With a green laser and computer programming, patrons can have their voices animated in a light display.

SMASH! Droppin' Stuff
Parking lot at 60 Atlantic Ave.,
north of Artscape

Treasured possessions and household objects get their moment in the spotlight before meeting their doom as they are dropped from towering heights. Toronto's The Custodians of Destruction will drop items in six instalments over the course of the night, with video replay between shows.

Sniff, Lick, Pinch, Nibble, Swallow
First Capital Realty, pathway on west side of building,
85 Hanna Ave.

Toronto artist Noni Kaur's exhibit invites patrons to tiptoe through a large walkway made of shredded coconut, depicting and celebrating the landscape of the human body. The experience teases the senses and connotes ethnicity.

Visit metronews.ca/movies to get showtimes, watch trailers and read reviews.

Reel Time

●●●●● A CLASSIC; ●●●● EXCELLENT; ●●● GOOD; ●● FAIR; ● POOR

Blindness lacks focus

Blindness

Director: Fernando Mereilles
Stars: Julianne Moore, Mark Ruffalo
Classification: 18A
Rating: ●●●

STEVE GOW
For Metro Canada

REVIEW Based on the acclaimed book by Nobel laureate Jose Saramago, Blindness was deemed unfilmable. Well that was until multi-talented Canadian actor/writer Don McKellar — perhaps most famous as the playwright of The Drowsy Chaperone — got his hands on it.

Julianne Moore

That may surprise some, but anyone who's seen McKellar's 1998 apocalyptic comic-drama Last Night will surely recognize similarities.

The story of a city besieged by a strange disease that causes everyone to suffer a "white blindness," this film is part-allegory, part-dystopian drama.

Simply put, as everyone except Julianne Moore loses their sight and are put in quarantine, society crumbles into chaos, violence and disarray not unlike we've seen in such fare as Lord of the Flies.

At times, it makes for a harrowing suspense drama, and director Fernando Mereilles (The Constant Gardener) adds a notable visual flair that will either evoke an impressive sense of dread or simply nauseate you depending on your penchant for jump cuts, white blurs and unconventional angles.

Excellent performances from Moore, Mark Ruffalo and a great cast certainly provide lift to Blindness but Mereilles — and McKellar's bleak, sophisticated story — seem so focused on broad symbolic themes of humanity in times of crisis, Blindness may actually impair some moviegoers from discerning the point in the end.

A Secret not worth sharing

The Secret of the Grain

Director: Abdellatif Kechiche
Stars: Habib Boufares, Bouraouia Marzouk, Hatika Karaoui, Hafsia Herzi
Classification: PG
Rating: ●●

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REVIEW It's Field of Dreams meets Big Night, except with fish couscous and a boat instead of baseball and Italian food. This excruciatingly mundane subtitled film is set in the French-speaking Arab community in Sete, on the south coast of France.

Slimane (Habib Boufares) loses his job at a shipyard where he's worked for 35 years.

The 61-year-old is lost in life, staying in a hotel with his partner Latifa (Hatika Karaoui) and her daughter Rym (Hafsia Herzi). Slimane also tries to stay close to his ex-wife (Bouraouia Marzouk) and his grown children and their families.

Hafsia Herzi, left, and Habib Boufares in The Secret of the Grain.

Slimane decides to use his severance package to refurbish a boat and turn it into a restaurant, where the specialty dish will be his ex-wife's fish couscous (How do you think his partner feels about that?).

With more than a little help from the teenaged Rym, Slimane tries to navigate the system to get a bank loan and government authorization for his restaurant-boat, but to no avail.

So he decides to have a dinner party on his boat, inviting all the important people who could help him get past the red tape.

Boufares is an emotionless Slimane, spending most of his time with his head down (he's feeling down — get it?). Only Herzi's Rym provides the 2½-hour film with any real spark, but it's almost snuffed out by dialogue ad nauseum.

Writer/director Abdellatif Kechiche delivers realistic dialogue and every conversation seems natural … but there's just so much.

Many times, the point of a scene is made clear, yet the cameras keep right on rolling. And the herky-jerky filming only adds to the frustration.

Another frustrating thing: Several key dramatic parts of Slimane's story aren't in the film — we hear about them second-hand from a group of men outside the hotel.

It'd be more integral to the story to see Slimane's fight with his partner over his business idea rather than, say, that 12th closeup of someone smacking their lips, eating couscous.

Screen Times

THESE PAGES COVER MOVIE START TIMES FROM FRI., OCT. 3 TO THURS., OCT. 9. TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

This week's new releases are highlighted in red.

Downtown

BLOOR THEATRE
506 Bloor St., 416-516-2330

Anonymously Yours (STC) Sun 2

Antonio Gaudi (STC) Sat 4:30 Sun-Mon 7

The Dark Knight (14A) Fri 6:30 Sat 1:30-9:15 Sun-Mon 8:45 Tue 9

Ferris Bueller's Day Off (STC) Tue 7 Thu 4:30

Hamlet 2 (14A) Tue 4:30

Mamma Mia! (PG) Fri 4:15 Sat 7 Sun 4:45 Mon 4:30

Ready (STC) Fri 9:30

Roman Polanski: Wanted and Desired (14A) Wed 4:30-9:30 Thu 7

The Tenant (STC) Thu 9

War/Dance (G) Wed 7

CARLTON
20 Carlton St., 416-598-2309

Amal (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 1:55-4:35-7:10-9:25

The Dark Knight (14A) Fri-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30

I Served The King of England (Czech w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-7-9:35

The Lucky Ones (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25-4-6:45-9:20

Mamma Mia! (PG) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:30-6:50-9:15

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:45-8

Outsourced (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:25-7:25-9:40

Patti Smith: Dream of Life (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:50

The Visitor (PG) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:20-10

CUMBERLAND CINEMAS
159 Cumberland Ave., 416-646-0444

Blindness (18A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:50

Elegy (14A) Fri-Wed 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:20 Thu 1:15-4:15-10:20

The Secret of the Grain (French w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:20-6:45-10:10

Vicky Cristina Barcelona (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:45-7:30-10

SCOTIABANK THEATRE
259 Richmond St., 416-368-5600

Appaloosa (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-7:20-10:25

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:10-6:40-9:20

Choke (18A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:40-7:50-10:20

The Dark Knight (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:50-9

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:15-7:30-10:30

Eagle Eye: The IMAX Experience (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:45

Fall HD Concert Series - From The Basement Series 2 (STC) Wed 6:45-9:30

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:10-10

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri-Thu 2-6:45-10:30

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri 12:35-3:10-6:20-9:40 Sat 3:50-6:20-9:40 Sun 12:35-3:10-9:40 Mon-Tue 12:35-3:10-6:20-9:40 Wed 12:35-3:10-9:40 Thu 12:35-3:10-6:20

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:40-10:15 Fri-Thu 12:45-3:30-6:50-9:30

Religulous (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:25-10:10

Righteous Kill (14A) Fri 1:10-3:50-6:30-9:15 Sat 1:10-6:30-9:15 Sun-Tue 1:10-3:50-6:30-9:15 Wed 1:10-3:50-10:30 Thu 6:30-9:15

The Secret Policeman's Ball Live (STC) Sat 2

Tropic Thunder (14A) Fri-Sat 12:25-3:20-6:25-9:10 Sun 12:25-3:20-6:25 Mon-Tue 12:25-3:20-6:25-9:10 Wed 12:25-3:20-6:25 Thu 12:25-3:20-6:25-9:10

WWE: No Mercy (STC) Sun 8

RAINBOW CINEMAS MARKET SQUARE
80 Front St., 416-494-9371

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri 1:10-3:10-5:10-7:10-9:30-11:15 Sat 1:10-3:10-5:10 Sun-Thu 1:10-3:10-5:10-7:10-9:30

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:10-6:50-9:25

Flash of Genius (PG) Fri-Sat 1:30-4-6:45-9:15 Sun-Mon 4-9:15 Tue 1:30-4-6:45-9:15 Wed 4-9:15 Thu 1:30-4-6:45-9:15 Sun-Mon 1:30-6:45 Wed 1:30-6:45

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri 1:20-4:20-6:40-9:10-11:20 Sat-Thu 1:20-4:20-6:40-9:10

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri 1-3-5-7-9-11 Sat-Thu 1-3-5-7-9

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri 1:15-3:50-7:10-9:30-11:20 Sat-Wed 1:15-3:50-7:10-9:30 Thu 3:50-7:10-9:30 Thu 1

THE ROYAL
608 College St., 416-466-4400

Man on Wire (PG) Fri-Sat 7 Sun-Mon 9:15 Tue 7

Patti Smith: Dream of Life (PG) Fri-Sat 9:15 Sun 4:30-7 Mon 7 Tue 9 Wed-Thu 9:15

Tropic Thunder (14A) Wed-Thu 7

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Manulife Centre, 55 Bloor St. W., 2nd floor, 416-961-6304

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Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:10 Fri-Thu 12:35-3:15-6:35-9:05

Choke (18A) Fri-Tue 1:50-4:40-7:35-10:15

The Duchess (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:10-6:30-9:20 Fri-Tue 12:55-3:45-6:55-9:35 Wed 12:55-3:45 Thu 12:55-3:45-6:55-9:35

Ghost Town (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:15-7:30-10

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:50-7:10-9:40

Rachel Getting Married (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:40-9:55 Fri-Thu 1:05-4:05-7:05-9:45

Religulous (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4:10-6:50-9:30 Fri-Thu 1:25-4:25-7:15-10:05

RocknRolla (14A) Wed-Thu 12:50-3:40-7:10-10

CANADA SQUARE CINEMAS
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

Appaloosa (14A) Fri 4:10-6:50-9:25 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:10-6:50-9:25 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:50-9:25

Choke (18A) Fri 4:40-7:10-9:15 Sat-Sun 2:20-4:40-7:10-9:15 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:10-9:15

Flash of Genius (PG) No Passes Fri 4:15-7-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4:15-7-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:15-7-9:40

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri 4:30-6:55-9:30 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-6:55-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:55-9:30

Mamma Mia! (PG) Fri 4:20-6:40 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:20-6:40 Mon-Thu 4:20-6:40

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri 4:50-8:10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:50-8:10 Mon-Thu 4:50-8:10

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri-Thu 9

Religulous (14A) Fri 5-7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 2:10-5-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 5-7:20-9:45

Vicky Cristina Barcelona (14A) Fri 4-6:30-8:50 Sat-Sun 1:40-4-6:30-8:50 Mon-Thu 4-6:30-8:50

MT. PLEASANT THEATRE
675 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

Amal (14A) Fri 9:20 Sat 9:25 Sun 7 Tue-Thu 7

Bottle Shock (14A) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 4:30 Thu 9

REGENT THEATRE
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884

Tkaronto (STC) Fri-Sat 7-9:15 Sun 4:30-7 Tue-Thu 7:30

SILVERCITY YONGE-EGLINTON CENTRE
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Thu 2:10-4:40-7-9:30

Blindness (18A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:20-10:05

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:10-6:45-9:10

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:10-9:55

Fall HD Concert Series — From The Basement Series 2 (STC) Wed 9:30

Ghost Town (14A) Fri-Tue 1:20-4-6:40-9:20 Wed 1:20-4-6:40 Thu 1:20-4-6:40-9:20

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Tue 1-3:40-6:50-9:40 Wed 3:40-6:50-9:40 Thu 1-3:40-6:50-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Igor (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-3:50-6:30

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Tue 2-4:50-7:30-9:50 Wed 4:50-7:30-9:50 Thu 2-4:50-7:30-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Thu 2:20-5-7:40-10

The Women (14A) Fri-Thu 9

YONGE & DUNDAS 24
10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

Bangkok Dangerous (18A) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:25-7:10-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:10-9:40

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Special Engagement Fri 12:15-1:30-2:15-2:45-3:45-4:30-5:15-6-6:45-7:30-8:30-9:15-10-10:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:11:45-12:15-1:30-2:15-2:45-3:45-4:30-5:15-6-6:45-7:30-8:30-9:15-10-10:45 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:15-2:45-3:45-4:30-5:15-6-6:45-7:30-8:30-9:15-10-10:45

Blindness (18A) Special Engagement Fri 4:30-7:30-9:15-10:15 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 1-4:30-7:30-9:15-10:15 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30-9:15-10:15

Death Race (18A) Fri-Thu 3:05-7:50

Drona (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:45-6:45-9:45 Mon 3:45-6:45-9:45 Tue-Wed 3:45-9:55 Thu 3:45-6:45-9:45

The Express (PG) Special Engagement Sat 7

Flash of Genius (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:45-4:15-5:30-7:15-8:15-10:15-11 Special Engagement Sat 11:45-1:15-2:45-4:15-5:30-7:15-8:15-10:15-11 Special Engagement Sun 11:45-1:15-2:45-4:15-5:30-7:15-8:15-10:15 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:45-4:15-5:30-7:15-8:15-10:15

Ghost Town (14A) Fri 12:20-2:10-2:50-4:45-5:25-7:20-8-9:50-10:30 Sat-Sun 11:30-12:20-2:10-2:50-4:45-5:25-7:20-8-9:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:10-2:50-4:45-5:25-7:20-8-9:50-10:30

The Godfather (STC) Fri-Thu 2:15-6:15-9:55

The House Bunny (PG) Fri-Thu 3-7:55

Igor (PG) Fri 2:35-4:45-7 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:30-2:35-4:45-7 Mon-Thu 2:35-4:45-7

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri 12:30-1:50-2:50-3:50-4:50-5:50-6:30-7:45-8:30-9:20-10:30-10:55 Sat 11:50-12:30-1:50-2:50-3:50-4:50-5:50-6:30-7:45-8:30-9:20-10:30-10:55 Sun 11:50-12:30-1:50-2:50-3:50-4:50-5:50-6:30-7:45-8:30-9:20-10:30 Mon-Thu 1:50-2:50-3:50-4:50-5:50-6:30-7:45-8:30-9:20-10:30

Mamma Mia! (PG) Fri 2-7:20 Sat 2-10 Sun 11:40-4:25-10 Mon-Thu 2-7:20

Mirrors (18A) Fri 5:25-10:20 Sat-Sun 12:20-5:25-10:20 Mon-Thu 5:25-10:20

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Special Engagement Fri 12:15-2-2:40-3:30-4:20-5:05-6-7:15-8-8:45-9:30-10:20-11 Special Engagement Sat 10:45-12:15-1-2-2:40-3:30-4:20-5:05-6-7:15-8-8:45-9:30-10:20-11 Special Engagement Sun 10:45-12:15-1-2-2:40-3:30-4:20-5:05-6-7:15-8-8:45-9:30-10:20 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2-2:40-3:30-4:20-5:05-6-7:15-8-8:45-9:30-10:20

Pineapple Express (18A) Fri-Sun 12:25-5:15-10:20 Mon-Thu 5:15-10:20

Tell No One (14A) Fri 1:15-4:10-7:05-10:10 Sat-Sun 10:30-1:15-4:10-7:05-10:10 Mon-Tue 4:10-7:05-10:10 Wed 4-7:05-10:10 Thu 4:10-7:05-10:10

WALL-E (G) Fri 1:50-4:35 Sat-Sun 11:15-1:50-4:35 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:35

The Women (14A) Fri 2:40-5:30-7:05-8:15-9:45-10:55 Sat 12-2:40-5:30-7:05-8:15-9:45-10:55 Sun 12-2:40-5:30-7:05-8:15-9:45 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:30-7:05-8:15-9:45

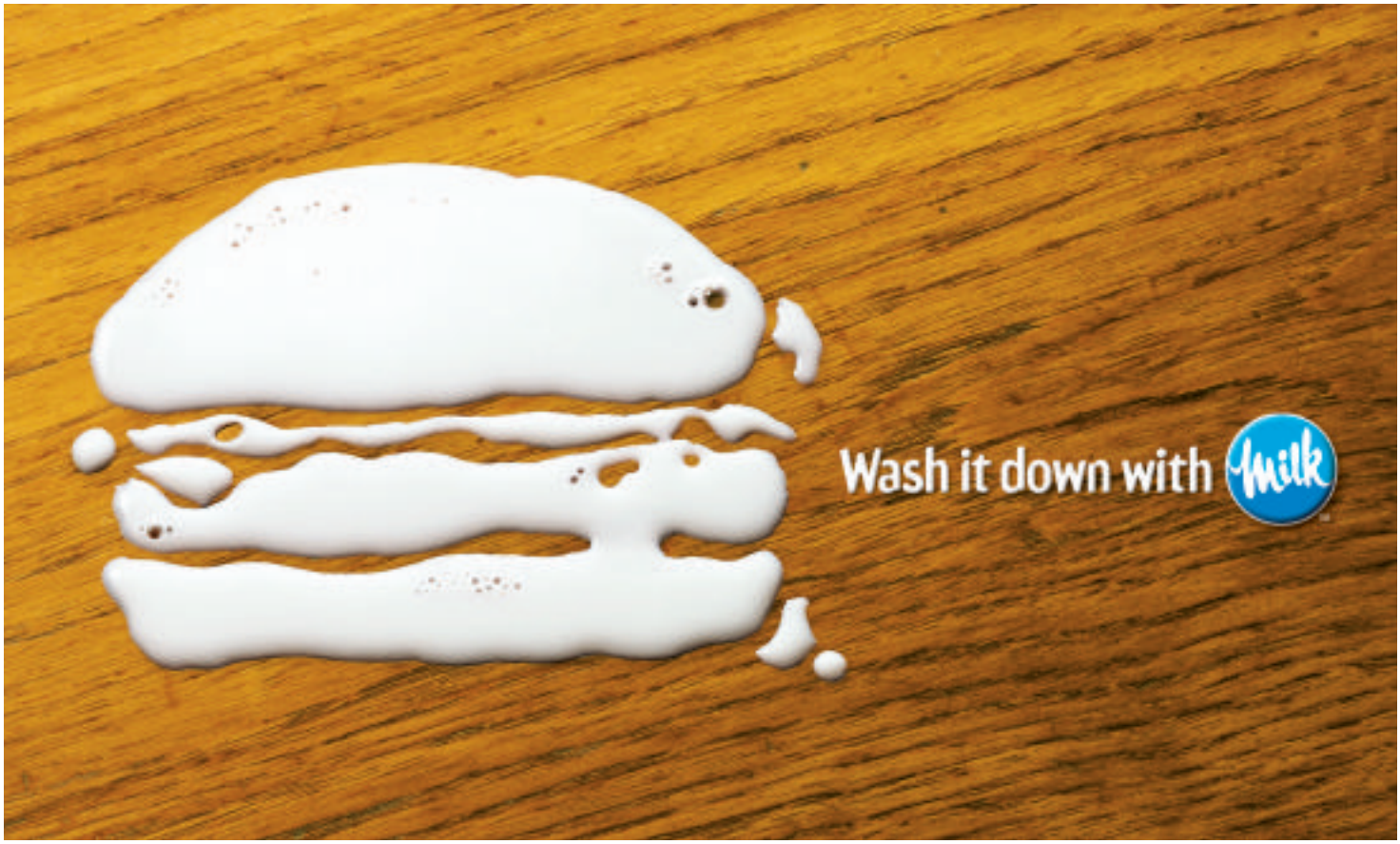
West End

ALBION CINEMAS
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

Drona (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30

Hashar: A Love Story (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Thu 3

Kidnap (Hindi w/ English Subtitles) (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30



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1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424

Appaloosa (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:10-10:10

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:45-5:15-7:45-10:15

Blindness (18A) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:40-6:50-10:05

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:30-6:20-9:10

The Duchess (14A) Fri-Mon 1-4-6:55-9:55 Tue 4-6:55-9:55 Wed-Thu 1-4-6:55-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Tue 1

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Sat 12:25-1:05-3:35-4:05-6:40-7:15-9:45-10:30 Sun-Thu 12:25-1:05-3:35-4:05-6:40-7:15-9:45-10:20

The Express (PG) No Passes, Sneak Preview Sat 7

Fall HD Concert Series — From The Basement Series 2 (STC) Wed 9:30

Flash of Genius (PG) No Passes Fri-Mon 1-4:10-7:20-10:25 No Passes Tue 4:10-7:20-10:25 No Passes Wed-Thu 1-4:10-7:20-10:25 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Tue 1

Ghost Town (14A) Fri 12:20-3:25-6:15-9:15 Sat-Thu 12:20-3:35-6:15-9:15

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:25-10:15

Igor (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:45-6:30

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri 12:45-3:50-6:45-9:50 Sat 3:50-6:45-9:50 Sun 12:45-3:50-9:50 Mon-Thu 12:45-3:50-6:45-9:50

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri-Thu 12:30-4:35-8:15

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri 1:10-3:55-6:35-9:30 Sat 1:10-9:50 Sun 1:10-3:55-6:35 Mon-Thu 1:10-3:55-6:35-9:30

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-7:9:40

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Thu 2-5-7:50-10:30

Religulous (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:40-7:30-10:20

Righteous Kill (14A) Fri-Tue 12:40-3:20-6:25-9:20 Wed 12:40-3:20-6:25 Thu 12:40-3:20-6:25-9:20

The Secret Policeman's Ball Live (STC) Sat 2

The Women (14A) Fri-Thu 9

WWE: No Mercy (STC) Sun 8

RAINBOW WOODBINE CENTRE
500 Rexdale Blvd., 416-213-1998

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Thu 12:40-2:50-5:7:10-9:20

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:55-6:40-9:10

The Family That Preys (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:50-6:50-9:15

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:05-6:55-9:30

Igor (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:05-5:15-7:15-9:05

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:45-6:45-9:15

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-2:50-4:50-7-9:30

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-2:45-5:7:25-9:25

BEACH CINEMAS
1651 Queen St. E., 416-699-5971

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri 4:20-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:20-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30

Blindness (18A) Fri 3:50-6:50-10 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:50-6:50-10 Mon-Thu 6:50-10

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri 4:30-7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:45

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri 4:10-7:10-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Mon-Thu 7:10-10:10

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri 4:45-7:30-10:20 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:45-7:30-10:20 Mon-Thu 7:30-10:20

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri 4-6:40-9:15 Sat-Sun 1-4-6:40-9:15 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:15

FESTIVAL CINEMAS FOX THEATRE
2236 Queen St. E., 416-691-7330

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North York

SHEPPARD GRANDE
4861 Yonge St., 416-590-9974

Appaloosa (14A) Fri 4:15-7:9:40 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:15-7:9:40 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:9:40

The Duchess (14A) Fri 4:10-6:50-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:50-9:30

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri 4:20-7:10-10 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:10-10

The Express (PG) No Passes, Sneak Preview Sat 7

Fall HD Concert Series - From The Basement Series 2 (STC) Wed 6:45-9:30

Flash of Genius (PG) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:20-10:10 No Passes Sat 1:40-4:30-7:20-10:10 No Passes Sun 1:40-4:30-7:20-9:55 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20-9:55

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri 4:40-8:10 Sat-Sun 1-4:40-8:10 Mon-Thu 4:40-8:10

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri 4:50-7:30-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:50-7:30-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:30-9:50

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri 3:45-6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:30-3:45-6:30-9:10 Mon-Tue 3:45-6:30-9:10 Wed 3:45-6:40-9:10 Thu 3:45-6:30-9:10

Religulous (14A) Fri 5-7:40-10:15 Sat 2-5-7:40-10:15 Sun 2-5-7:35-10 Mon-Thu 5-7:35-10

The Secret Policeman's Ball Live (STC) Sat 2

Vicky Cristina Barcelona (14A) Fri 4-6:20-9 Sat 1:25-6:20-9 Sun 1:25-4-6:20-9 Mon-Tue 4-6:20-9 Wed 4-6:20 Thu 4-6:20-9

The Women (14A) Fri 3:50-6:40-9:45 Sat 3:50-9:45 Sun-Tue 3:50-6:40-9:45 Wed 3:50-9:45 Thu 3:50-6:40-9:45

EMPIRE THEATRES @ EMPRESS WALK
5095 Yonge St., 416-223-9550

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:40-7:9:20 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:10-4:40-7:9:20 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:40-7:9:20

Blindness (18A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:10-7:10-9:55 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:15-4:10-7:10-9:55 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:10-7:10-9:55

Burn After Reading (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:45-7:45-10:05 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:50-4:45-7:45-10:05 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:45-7:45-10:05

Choke (18A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Sat 4:50-7:25-9:40 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sun 2-4:50-10:10 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:50-7:25-9:40

Don Quichotte (Ballet) (STC) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat 1-1:30

Drona (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Fri 4-6:55-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Sat-Sun 1-4-6:55-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Mon-Thu 4-6:55-9:50

Ghost Town (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:20-7:20-9:45 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-7:20-9:45 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon 4:20-9:45 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Tue-Thu 4:20-7:20-9:45

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:15-7:30-10 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:20-4:15-7:30-10 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:15-7:30-10

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:05-7:35-10:10 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat 4:35-7:35-10:10 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sun 1:05-4:05-7:35 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:05-7:35-10:10

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:30-7:40-10:15 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:40-10:15 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:30-7:40-10:15

Righteous Kill (14A) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:25-6:45-9:15 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:40-4:25-6:45-9:15 Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 4:25-6:45-9:15

WWE: No Mercy (STC) Stadium Seating, Dolby Stereo Digital Sun 8

SILVERCITY YORKDALE 6
3401 Dufferin St., 416-444-3456

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Sun 12-2:30-5:10-7:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:10-9:55

Blindness (18A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4-6:30-9:15

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:10

Ghost Town (14A) Fri-Wed 1:10-4:10-7-9:50 Thu 1:10-4-9:50

Igor (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-3:50-6:15

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:40-7:30-10:15

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri-Thu 9

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:50-9:30 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:20-10:05

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Sun 2-4:50-7:40-10:20 Mon-Thu 2-4:50-7:40-10:10

Righteous Kill (14A) Fri-Wed 1:45-4:45-7:30-10:10 Thu 1:45-4:45-7:30

Scarborough

COLISEUM SCARBOROUGH
300 Borough Dr., 416-290-5217

Appaloosa (14A) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:50-7:10-10:30

Bangkok Dangerous (18A) Fri 1:05-4:15-7:05-9:55 Sat 1:05-4:15-9:55 Sun 1:05-4:15 Mon-Tue 1:05-4:15-7:05-9:55 Wed 1:05-4:15-7:05 Thu 1:05-4:15-7:05-9:55

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:55-5:20-7:40-10:15

Blindness (18A) Fri-Thu 12:50-4-7:10:20

The Dark Knight (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:40-6:50-10

The Express (PG) No Passes, Sneak Preview Sat 7

Fall HD Concert Series - From The Basement Series 2 (STC) Wed 9:30

Ghost Town (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:05-6:40-9:30

The House Bunny (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:35-6:30-9:15

Journey to the Center of the Earth (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-3:55-6:45-9:25

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:25-7:15-10:05

Saroja (Tamil) (14A) Fri-Thu 2:10-6:10-10:10

Tropic Thunder (14A) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:45-6:35-9:20

Tyler Perry's the Family That Preys (PG) Fri-Thu 1:4:10-7:20-10:25

WWE: No Mercy (STC) Sun 8

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Shia LaBeouf, left, and Michelle Monaghan star as two unsuspecting Americans drawn into a mysterious conspiracy in the race-against-time thriller Eagle Eye.

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Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Sun 12-2:30-5-7:30-9:55 Mon-Thu 5-7:30-9:55

Blindness (18A) Fri-Sun 1:05-4:05-7:05-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:05-7:05-10:05

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:40-7:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:50-10:20

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Sun 1-4:10-7:20-10:15 Mon-Tue 4:10-7:20-10:15 Wed 4:10-10:15 Thu 4:10-7:20-10:15

Fall HD Concert Series — From The Basement Series 2 (STC) Wed 9:30

Flash of Genius (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:15-3:40-7:35-10:35 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:40-7:35-10:35 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1

Ghost Town (14A) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:45-6:40-9:25 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:40-9:25

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Sun 12:25-3:50-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:50-9:40

Igor (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:30-7:25-10 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:25-10

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri-Sun 2-6:35-10:10 Mon-Thu 6:35-10:10

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri 1:25-4:15-6:55-9:35 Sat 4:15-6:55-9:35 Sun 1:25-4:15-9:35 Mon-Thu 4:15-6:55-9:35

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:55-7:45-10:30 Mon-Thu 3:55-7:45-10:30 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-4-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:30

Religulous (14A) Fri-Sun 1:35-4:35-7:40-10:25 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:40-10:25

Righteous Kill (14A) Fri 1:20-4:25-7:15-9:45 Sat 1:20-7:15-9:45 Sun 1:20-4:25-7:15 Mon-Tue 4:25-7:15-9:45 Wed 4:25-7:15 Thu 4:25-7:15-9:45

The Secret Policeman's Ball Live (STC) Sat 2

The Women (14A) Fri-Thu 9:20

WWE: No Mercy (STC) Sun 8

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Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:50-5:10-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 5-7:15-9:55

Blindness (18A) Fri-Sun 1-3:50-6:40-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:45-9:30

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Sun 10:20 Mon-Thu 9:10

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-4-7:10 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:50

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:10-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:50-9:40

Igor (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-2:40-5-7:15 Mon-Thu 3:55-6:20

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:40-7:20-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:20-10

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri-Sun 12:55-4:20-8 Mon-Thu 4:20-8

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:50-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:30-10:05

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:35-6:15-9:20 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:15-9:20

Religulous (14A) Fri-Sun 1:20-3:45-6:30-9:35 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:30-9:35

Tyler Perry's the Family That Preys (PG) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:25-7:10-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:10-9:45

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33 William Kitchen Rd., 416-335-5323

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri 2:45-3:30-5:45-7:15-8-9:35-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:30-1:15-2:45-3:30-5:5-45-7:15-8-9:35-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:45-3:30-5:5-45-7:15-8-9:35-10:15

Choke (18A) Special Engagement Fri 3:20-5:30-7:40-9:55 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11-1:10-3:20-5:30-7:40-9:55 Mon-Thu 3:20-5:30-7:40-9:55

Death Race (18A) Fri-Thu 7:20-9:45

Drona (PG) Special Engagement Fri 4:10-7:10-10:10 Special Engagement Sat 1:10-4:10 Special Engagement Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 4:10-7:10-10:10

The Duchess (14A) Special Engagement Fri 2:25-4:55-7:25-9:55 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:55-2:25-4:55-7:25-9:55 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:25-4:55-7:25-9:55

Eagle Eye (14A) SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Fri 2-4:10-4:50-7:7:40-9:50-10:30 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:10-1:20-2-4:10-4:50-7:7:40-9:50-10:30 SDDS Digital Mon-Thu 2-4:10-4:50-7:7:40-9:50-10:30

Flash of Genius (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:10-4:50-7:30-10:20 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:30-2:10-4:50-7:30-10:20 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:10-4:50-7:30-10:20

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Special Engagement Fri 2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05

Igor (PG) Fri 3-5:10 Sat-Sun 12:50-3-5:10 Mon-Thu 3-5:10

Mamma Mia! (PG) Fri 2:50-5:15-7:45-10:20 Sat-Sun 12:15-2:50-5:15-7:45-10:20 SDDS Digital Mon-Tue 2:25-4:45 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:15-7:45-10:20

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Special Engagement Fri 3:40-7:10:15 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:20-3:40-7:10:15 Mon-Thu 3:40-7:10:15

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri 2:25-4:45-7:10-9:40 Sat-Sun 12-2:25-4:45-7:10-9:40 Mon-Tue 7:10-9:40 Wed-Thu 2:25-4:45-7:10-9:40

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:55-3:40-5:05-5:50-7:15-8-9:25-10:10 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:45-1:30-2:55-3:40-5:05-5:50-7:15-8-9:25-10:10 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:55-3:40-5:05-5:50-7:15-8-9:25-10:10

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Special Engagement Fri 3-3:45-5:15-7:30-8:15-9:50 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:15-12:45-3-3:45-5:15-7:30-8:15-9:50 Mon-Thu 3-3:45-5:15-7:30-8:15-9:50

Religulous (14A) Special Engagement Fri 2:45-5-7:25-9:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:20-2:45-5-7:25-9:45 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:45-5-7:25-9:45

Righteous Kill (14A) Fri 2:35-4:55-7:20-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:15-2:35-4:55-7:20-9:35 Mon-Thu 2:35-4:55-7:20-9:35

Sukiyaki Western Django (18A) Fri 2:55-5:20-7:35-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:35-2:55-5:20-7:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:55-5:20-7:35-10:05

Vicky Cristina Barcelona (14A) Fri 6-10:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-6-10:30 Mon-Thu 6-10:30

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Drona (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri 3:15-6:15-9:15 Sat-Sun 12:15-3:15-6:15-9:15 Mon-Thu 3:15-6:15-9:15

Kidnap (Hindi w/ English Subtitles) (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30

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COLISEUM 10
309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

Appaloosa (14A) Fri-Tue 1-3:50-6:40-9:30 Wed 3:50-6:40-9:30 Thu 1-3:50-6:40-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Blindness (18A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:15-10:10

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3-6:50-9:40

Choke (18A) Fri-Thu 1:30-6:45

The Dark Knight (14A) Fri-Thu 9:10

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Sat 1:45-4:30-7:30-10:20 Sun-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:30-10:10

Eagle Eye: The IMAX Experience (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:45

Fall HD Concert Series — From The Basement Series 2 (STC) Wed 9:30

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Tue 1:10-4:10-7:10-10 Wed 4:10-7:10-10 Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Igor (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:30

Journey to the Center of the Earth (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:30-6:20-9

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Sat 1:40-4:20-7:20-10:15 Sun 1:40-4:20-7:20 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:20-10:15

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Fri-Thu 12:45-4:40-8:30

My Best Friend's Girl Fri-Thu 4-9:20

Religulous (14A) Fri-Sat 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:30 Sun-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:15

Righteous Kill (14A) Fri-Sat 2-4:45-7:40-10:25 Sun 2-4:45-10:05 Mon-Tue 2-4:45-7:40-10:05 Wed 1:10-3:45-7 Thu 2-4:45-7:40-10:05

WWE: No Mercy (STC) Sun 8

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Appaloosa (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1:40-4:15-7:10-9:55

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1:15-3:35-5:45-8-10:10

Blindness (18A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:10-9:55

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri 1:15-3:30-5:45-8:05-10:20 Sat-Sun 11:1:15-3:30-5:45-8:05-10:20 Mon-Thu 1:15-3:30-5:45-8:05-10:20

Eagle Eye (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1:20-2:25-4:10-5:05-7:7:45-9:50-10:30 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:45-1:20-2:25-4:10-5:05-7-7:45-9:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 1:20-2:25-4:10-5:05-7-7:45-9:50-10:30

Flash of Genius (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:15-10

Ghost Town (14A) Fri 2:20-4:50-7:35-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:40-2:20-4:50-7:35-10:10 Mon-Wed 2:20-4:50-7:35-10:10

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-6:55-9:35

Igor (PG) Sat-Sun 11:30-1:45-4:30 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:30

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri 1:55-5-7:30-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:15-1:55-5-7:30-10:05 Mon-Thu 1:55-5-7:30-10:05

Miracle at St. Anna (18A) Special Engagement Fri 3-6:20-9:50 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:20-3-6:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 3-6:20-9:50

The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor (PG) Fri 2:10-5-7:30-10:05

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri-Thu 4:35-9:30

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1:05-3:15-5:30-7:45-10

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 1:05-3:20-5:40-8-10:20 Mon-Thu 1:05-3:20-5:40-8-10:20

Religulous (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25-5:40-8:05-10:35

Righteous Kill (14A) Sat-Thu 7:05-9:30

The Women (14A) Fri 1:50-7:05 Sat-Sun 11:20-1:50-7:05 Mon-Thu 1:50-7:05

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Death Race (18A) Fri 7:20-10 Sat-Sun 4:50-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 7:50

Get Smart (PG) Fri 7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 4:40-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 7:10

Hancock (PG) Fri 6:40-9:10 Sat-Sun 4:20-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 7:40

Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull (PG) Fri 6:50-9:30 Sat-Sun 4:10-6:50-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:20

Space Chimps (G) Fri 6:30-9 Sat-Sun 4-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 7

Step Brothers (14A) Fri 7-9:40 Sat-Sun 4:30-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 7:30

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20 Biscayne Cr., 905-455-1590

Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri 3:30-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-7-9:30

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri 4:20-7:15-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:20-7:15-9:55 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:15-9:55

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri 3:45-6:45-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:45-6:45-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:45-9:40

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri 4-7:05-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4-7:05-9:50 Mon-Thu 4-7:05-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Tue 1

Igor (PG) Fri 3:15-6:30 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:15-6:30 Mon-Thu 3:15-6:30

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri 3:40-6:40-9:25 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:25 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:25

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri-Thu 9:15

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri 4:30-7:20-10 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20-10 Star & Strollers Screening Tue 1

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri 4:10-6:50-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:50-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:50-9:20

Religulous (14A) Fri 4:15-7:10-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:15-7:10-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:10-9:45

Righteous Kill (14A) Fri 3:50-6:55-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:3:50-6:55-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:55-9:30

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Beverly Hills Chihuahua (G) Fri-Sun 12-2:30-5-7:30-10:05 Mon-Thu 5-7:30-10:05

Burn After Reading (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:10-6:45-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:45-9:10

Eagle Eye (14A) Fri-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:10-10:10 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:10-10:10

The Express (PG) No Passes, Sneak Preview Sat 7

Flash of Genius (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1-3:50-7:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:50-7:10

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14A) Fri-Sun 1:50-4:50-7:40-10:20 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:40-10:20

Igor (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30

Lakeview Terrace (14A) Fri-Sun 12:45-4-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 4-6:50-9:40

My Best Friend's Girl (18A) Fri-Thu 9:20

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:40-7:50-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:50-10:15

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:20-9:50

The Women (14A) Fri 12:15-3:40-6:50-9:30 Sat 12:15-3:40-9:55 Sun 12:15-3:40-6:40-9:30 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:40-9:30

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Don Quichotte (Ballet) (STC) Stadium Seating Sat 1

Drona (PG) Sub-Titled, Stadium Seating, THX Fri-Thu 1:40-5:10-8:30

The Duchess (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:10-4:50-7:30-10:10

Flash of Genius (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4-6:50-9:35

For the First Time (Filipino) (STC) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:50-4:20-7-9:25

Ghost Town (14A) Stadium Seating Fri 2:15-4:40-7:20-9:50 Stadium Seating Sat 4:40-7:20-9:50 Stad. Seating Sun-Thu 2:15-4:40-7:20-9:50

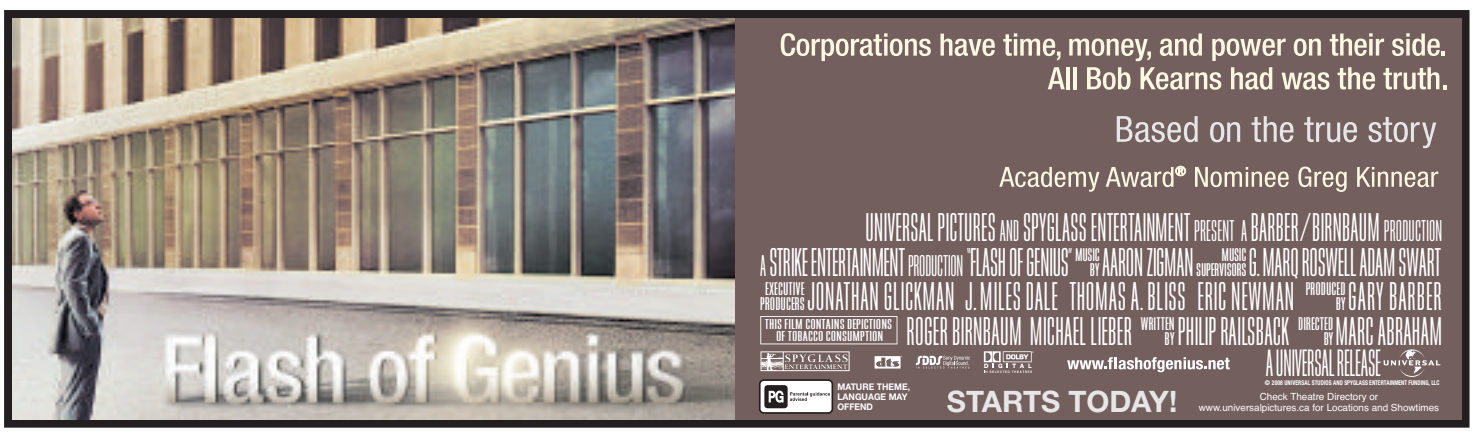
Kidnap Sub-Titled, Stad. Seating Fri-Thu 1-5-9

Mamma Mia! Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 9:15

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Stadium Seating, THX Fri-Thu 1:30-4:10-6:40-9:10

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:30-5:20-7:40-10 Stadium Seating Thu 11

The Women (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:05-3:50-6:30



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1. Death Magnetic, Metallica; **2.** Only By The Nights, Kings of Leon; **3.** Viva La Vida, Coldplay; **4.** All I Intended to Be, Emmylou Harris. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Billboard chart

The top 10 and pop albums and singles according to Billboard Magazine for the week ending Oct. 11.

ALBUMS

1. Death Magnetic, Metallica
2. Don't Forget, Demi Lovato
3. Year of the Gentleman, Ne-Yo
4. Doll Domination, The Pussycat Dolls
5. Only by the Night, Kings of Leon
6. Fearless Jazmine Sullivan
7. Rock N Roll Jesus, Kid Rock
8. Joe Thomas, New Man, Joe
9. The Recession, Young Jeezy
10. A Little Bit Longer, Jonas Brothers

SINGLES

1. Whatever You Like, T.I.
2. So What, Pink
3. Love Lockdown, Kanye West
4. Disturbia, Rihanna
5. Paper Planes, M.I.A.
6. Hot N Cold, Katy Perry
7. Can't Believe It, T-Pain featuring Lil Wayne
8. Closer, Ne-Yo
9. Love Story,Taylor Swift
10. American Boy, Estelle featuring Kanye West

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TOP 10
MOBILE DOWNLOADS
1 Whatever You Like T.I.
2 Just Dance Lady GaGa
3 So What Pink
4 I Kissed A Girl Katy Perry
5 Disturbia Rihanna
6 When I Grow Up The Pussycat Dolls
7 In The Ayer Flo Rida
8 A Milli Lil Wayne
9 My Life The Game
10 Lollipop Lil Wayne
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Partie Traumatic, the debut album from Black Kids, was released in Canada in July. The group has been labelled one of 10 "Artists to Watch" in 2008 by Rolling Stone.

Black Kid rethinks God

Reggie Youngblood trades in Christian rock for breakout success

BRIAN TOWIE
Metro Canada

Reggie Youngblood says you'll find the sexually repressed Christian rock scene a great place to find sex, but it takes patience to work your mojo.

"You start by going up to someone and say, 'Hey, I'm looking for a prayer partner,'" says the frontman of Black Kids. "It eventually gets to a point where neither of you can hold back your urges, and the climax ends up being better than any drug. It's not a quick hookup, but it's worth going to hell for."

He knows of what he speaks. Before his five-piece new wave and rock hybrid assembled in Jacksonville, Fla., in early 2006 and went on to become the latest indie pop media darling, Youngblood adapted his Southern Baptist Sunday school sensibilities to a Christian rock band.

Youngblood and company soon found success after they replaced God with '80s retro stylings, pulling influence from synthy sounds and dance rhythms set to his sometimes dour lead vocals from the likes of ABC, Morrisey, The Cure and even some hair metal on 2007 EP Wizard of Ahhs and 2008's full-length Partie Traumatic.

"The songs aren't too terribly different from what we've done before. We've taken all the guilt out of our lyrics and we changed 'Jesus" to 'baby,'" he said. "We we're very cognizant of what we enjoyed as children, and that stuff reigns supreme on our record. I remember buying Poison's Open Up And Say Ahh! and the person at the counter was like, 'This is what you want?'"

After a 2007 breakout gig at the Athens Popfest in Georgia, critics including the New York Times and Rolling Stone — who called Black Kids one of the 10 "artists to watch" this year — lustily gushed over the band. In a very short time, Black Kids have hit No. 5 on the U.K. charts, played this year's Lollapalooza and embarked on their first long-term tour.

in concert

- Black Kids play The Mod Club Theatre Sunday night.

It's not a question of too much too soon for the band, but they will admit they've already reached some of their career goals. Of course, there's always somewhere higher you can go. "We've definitely already done things we've aspired to do, like play our dream gigs," Youngblood said. "But I guess we could always headline one next."

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Music

Obama takes the Better Way

Judging the candidates ability to lead based on their choice of campaign songs

SoundCheck

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I don't know about you, but in the last two weeks, I've heard people throw around the word "trillion" more than at any point in my entire life — as in "The U.S. credit crisis is going to cost $5 trillion or more to sort out." Why anyone would want to run a country under any circumstances (let alone in the midst of a universal economic meltdown) is beyond me.

But this doom makes our selection of leaders and our scrutiny of their choices even more important. The media scrutiny has been set to "insane" recently. I'm more than happy to contribute to the insanity by judging the candidates' ability to lead based on their choice of campaign theme songs.

Right away, I'm worried about the John McCain/Sarah Palin camp. Sure, he's a storied war vet and she can see Russia from her house, but who came up with the idea of using Take a Chance on Me by ABBA as a rally song? Maybe it's because John Mellencamp told McCain to stop using his song, Our Country while Heart freaked out over Palin's wannabe association with Barracuda.

Election 2008

The best music heard at Republican rallies was played by protesters. Rage Against the Machine turned up in Minneapolis to play at the Republican National convention, but were turned away because they allegedly didn't have the proper permits. Still, they offered up a cappella versions of Bulls on Parade and Testify before leading a march.

The Barack Obama/Joe Biden ticket has much better music. Anyone who uses a Ben Harper song (Better Way) shows good taste. And a surprising number of cool bands turned up to play for that big rally in Denver. While Stevie Wonder sang Signed, Sealed and Delivered inside the stadium, bands like Silversun Pickups, Nada Surf and Cold War Kids (an actual band, not a sons-and-daughters of veterans group) were playing for the crowd in the parking lot.

On this side of the border, the theme-song battle has been, well, dull. If the Conservatives or the Greens have an official song, it hasn't registered with me yet. Come to think of it, I can't recall anything official from the Liberals or the NDP, either. I think I've heard the Hip's Ahead by a Century and I'm sure someone from the Barenaked Ladies has lent something to the NDP — but nothing is making a solid impact on voters.

Using rock and pop to spin a political platform? Not in Canada. Pity.

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Rage Against the Machine's Zack de la Rocha, right, showed up at the Republican National convention but was not allowed to play. Meanwhile, Democratic contender Barack Obama has used Better Way by Ben Harper, far right, on the campaign trail. GETTY IMAGES

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Hottest concert tickets on the fall schedule

Wire

The enduringly irate U.K. quartet responsible for — but defiantly not coasting upon — the epochal first-wave art-punk album trioka of Pink Flag, Chairs Missing and 154 is making its first trip to Toronto in six years. The original line-up's reformation at the turn of the millennium was no smug nostalgia trip.
When: Oct. 7, 8 p.m.
Where: Lee's Palace, 529 Bloor St.
Tickets: $22.50 at Ticketmaster

AC/DC

The last time AC/DC was here, the band totally, indisputably stole the SARS-Stock festival from headliners the Rolling Stones. Only one performance at Downsview Park that day got the crowd of 450,000 on its feet, front to back, and properly frothing like a real rock audience should. At least a quarter of the attendees bailed after, which explains both the somewhat deflated Stones performance that followed and why AC/DC's first return trip to Toronto next month sold out in less than 20 minutes.
When: Nov. 7, Jan. 9
Where: Rogers Centre
Tickets: First show sold out. At press time, prices on ticketsnow.com ranged from $289 to $963. Tickets for second show go on sale Oct. 10 at Ticketmaster.

Usher

Some might say that this 2,150-capacity Kool Haus show is proof that the sultry R&B crooner has fallen far from his 2004 Mr. Entertainment heyday, when Kanye West was his opening act. Don't rule him out just yet. He's likely working on a new disc and doing these small shows to stay connected to fans. You're likely never to see him in such an intimate setting again and he's got enough hits and slick dance moves to make this one of the hottest tickets this fall.
When: Nov. 8, 8 p.m.
Where: Kool Haus, 132 Queens Quay E.
Tickets: $79.50 at Ticketmaster

Tina Turner

Her 2000 tour — the most successful tour that year — was supposed to be her last arena swing. So another opportunity to see the Rock and Roll Hall-of-Famer, who is celebrating her 50th anniversary in the entertainment industry, shouldn't be missed. Who can deny that trademark shag wig and those famous flexing calves as she slides, struts and shimmies her way through numbers like Proud Mary, What's Love Got To Do With It and Private Dancer?

SONY BMG PHOTO

AC/DC will rock the Rogers Centre Nov. 7 and Jan. 9.

When: Nov. 13 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 12 and 13 at 8 p.m.
Where: Air Canada Centre, 40 Bay St.
Tickets: $59.50 to $151.75 at Ticketmaster.

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HMV Canada's top CDs based on national sales
1. Paper Trails, T.I.; **2.** Death Magnetic, Metallica; **3.** Viva La Vida or Death and All His Friends, Coldplay; **4.** Doll Domination, The Pussycat Dolls; **5.** Expedition, Les Cowboys Fringants. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Music

Dion top concert draw

The Top 10 Concert Tours ranks artists by average box-office gross per city (in U.S. dollars) and includes the average ticket price. The previous ranking is in parentheses.

1. (New) Celine Dion; $4,607,183; $126.41.
2. (1) Kenny Chesney; $1,743,601; $65.41.
3. (2) Coldplay; $1,674,011; $83.71.
4. (4) The Police; $1,542,921; $100.81.
5. (3) Neil Diamond; $1,485,927; $86.58.
6. (5) Dave Matthews Band; $1,099,901; $49.13.
7. (6) Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers; $1,082,550; $63.37.
8. (New) Radiohead; $1,031,209; $48.08.
9. (7) Rascal Flatts; $917,900; $50.49.
10. (8) Jonas Brothers; $756,571; $41.53.

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Celine Dion

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Fresh take, old sound

Rock pioneers inspire Gaslight Anthem on new album

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

It's a quest shared by sellers, spinners and scenesters alike: Finding that fresh, hot new sound. But is new, "original" music really so groundbreaking, or just a re-engineering of old tunes?

While some artists claim to bring that innovation to the table with their avant-garde approach to music making, The Gaslight Anthem's Brian Fallon says his band is taking the opposite approach, paying homage to history.

"We're just taking on the traditional aspect and maybe putting a little bit of a different spin on it. But we're not trying to reinvent the wheel here. We don't claim to be doing anything that nobody's done before.," says the New Brunswick, N.J.-based foursome's lead vocalist.

Songs on The Gaslight Anthem's sophomore album, The '59 Sound, are full of both subtle and direct references to rock pioneers like Bruce Springsteen, Tom Petty and Joe Strummer. Even their name refers to a New York club Bob Dylan played in his less-esteemed days.

The mention of such veterans was a conscious choice Fallon says is part of the band's attempt to maintain the music for the future. "We want to carry on the next generation of that kind of thing and keep it alive. We're just music fans who get overly excited about these things and just want to tell everybody about it," he says.

Fallon believes a '90s gap in the rock tradition has allowed the music to be neglected.

"There were all these bands in the '60s and '70s that carried on that traditional sense of songwriting. Then there were a few, mostly English bands in the '80s. In the '90s, there really was a lack of traditional music, especially old time R&B and rock 'n roll. And soul music was just completely forgotten!" Fallon cries.

He says soul infusions The Gaslight Anthem first mixed with punk rock have largely propelled the band to success and garnered high acclaim from music critics. But in spite of the praise they receive, Fallon humbly admits the band doesn't feel much pressure to uphold it.

"At the end of the day, if you let that in, you'll just end up messing it up. That's when bands crack and end up doing these overly grandiose records that are just completely self-involved and that nobody wants to hear."

The Gaslight Anthem's new album is called The '59 Sound.

in concert

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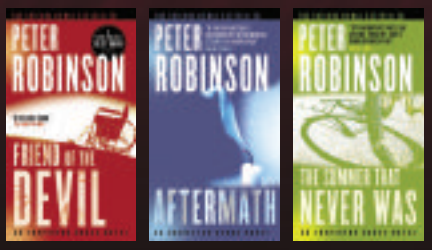

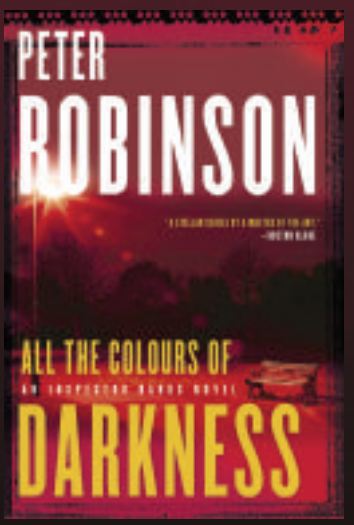

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Rosie returns with variety show

Comedienne Rosie O'Donnell, left, is returning to the small screen. Rosie's Variety Show will debut as an hour-long live special on NBC on Nov. 26, and could expand to a full series, depending on viewer reactions. USMAGAZINE.COM

Television

Dance hopefuls down to Top 20

Students, choreographers and teachers are among the 20 dancers chosen to compete in the inaugural season of So You Think You Can Dance Canada.

The 10 male and 10 female dancers were revealed in a two-hour episode Wednesday, in which 200 hopefuls were whittled down in a brutal "finals" competition.

Specializing in everything from ballet to ballroom and hip hop to salsa, the Top 20 range in age from 18 to 29.

CTV says there were more than 2,500 auditions for the reality series.

As in the U.S. version of the show, the 20 dancers will be split into 10 couples and be expected to learn a new dance routine each week.

Leah Miller

They will compete for viewer votes in their first two-hour performance episode Oct. 8. The following night one male and one female dancer will be sent home.

Hosted by MuchMusic's Leah Miller, So You Think You Can Dance Canada features judges Tre Armstrong (dancer, choreographer and star of the film How She Move) and Jean Marc Genereux (international ballroom champion and guest judge/choreographer on the U.S. version of So You Think You Can Dance).

Alternating third judges include Luther Brown, choreographer for Sean Combs, and Blake McGrath, Season 1 finalist on So You Think You Can Dance.

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The top 20

- Allie Bertram, 18, ballet, Calgary
- Arassay Reyes, 21, contemporary/latin, Vancouver
- Breanne Wong, 25, contemporary, Whitby, Ont.
- Caroline Torti, 23, contemporary, Oakville, Ont.
- Danny Arbour, 26, latin and ballroom, Montreal
- Dario Milard, 19, contemporary, St-Hubert, Que.
- Francis Lafreniere, 28, ballroom, St-Bruno, Que.
- Izaak Smith, 19, hip hop/ballet, Prince George, B.C.
- Jesse Catibog, 29, b-boy, Toronto
- Joey Matt, 19, contemporary, Calgary
- Kaitlyn Fitzgerald, 18, contemporary, Loretto, Ont.
- Kevin Myrlea, 22, contemporary, Westbank, B.C.
- Lara Smythe, 25, contemporary/acro, Toronto
- Lisa Auguste, 27, contemporary/hip hop, Toronto
- Miles Faber, 21, popper and boogaloo, Calgary
- Natalli Reznik, 28, hip hop/latin, Toronto
- Nico Archambault, 23, contemporary/hip hop, Montreal
- Romina D'Ugo, 22, jazz, Toronto
- Tamina Pollack-Paris, 19, hip hop, Toronto
- Vincent Noiseux, 22, contemporary/hip hop, St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Que.

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Runway lawsuit 'aufed!'

LAWSUIT A New York judge has bid "auf Wiedersehen" to fashion industry veterans who claimed Heidi Klum and others ripped off their idea for television's Project Runway.

U.S. District Judge Loretta Preska has agreed to toss out the lawsuit, which claimed the reality series was based on an idea submitted by a fashion designer and a fashion merchandiser.

Preska said in a written opinion that it was clear the show was developed independently of the two women who challenged its originality.

In a deposition, Klum said the show resulted from several brainstorming sessions by its creators. She said she had never heard of the plaintiffs' idea for the show.

Klum is known for telling contestants who don't make the cut, "You're aufed!" — short for the German farewell.

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News in brief

NEW SERIES CTV has commissioned a pilot for a new half-hour comedy series from Brent Butt, who just wrapped filming on Corner Gas. The new show, called Hiccups, will star Corner Gas co-star Nancy Robertson as a children's author with anger issues who enlists the help of a life coach. Butt moves behind the camera as executive producer and writer on the show. Filming begins later this month. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cause **Parker on the right page**

BRAD BARKET/GETTY IMAGES

Weeds star Mary Louise Parker attends Read for the Record Day at NBC Studios in New York City yesterday. Read for the Record is a campaign to highlight the importance of early education.

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King is anxious to start family

Actress Jaime King, right, is eager to have children with her director husband Kyle Newman. "I want to start soon. I love both boys and girls. We even have our names picked out," King tells OK! magazine. IMDB.COM

Television

CTV PHOTO

Degrassi: The Next Generation. Pictured: Evan Williams as Kelly and Sarah Barrable-Tishauer as Liberty.

The kids go to college

TVPicks

Degrassi: The Next Generation

Season Premiere: Oct. 5
Network: CTV

The kids — or at least some of them — go to college, and much of the drama in the season 8 debut has to do with dorm room assignments. Meanwhile back at Degrassi there's a new group of grade 9 students, and Mia (Nina Dobrev) is having model anguish. By now it's probably a bit obvious to point out that what happens to a single kid in a season of Degrassi is more than usually goes on in a whole year at any real life high school, but that's why the kids love it.

Beautiful People

Season Premiere: Oct. 6
Network: Slice

A fantastically creepy reality series about a pair of Euro-dudes from L.A. who come to Toronto to set up the latest branch of their online social network for beautiful people only. Later episodes are supposed to follow around candidates and members of Beautiful People, but the debut focuses on Greg and Robert, the founders, while they try to drum up publicity for the launch of the website. Strap in tight, because the line between reality and satire is as fluid as a river in spring here.

SNL: Weekend Update Thursday

Season Premiere: Oct. 9
Network: NBC

Saturday Night Live's news parody moves to primetime for the first of three election-themed special programs. Expect a lot of Darrel Hammond as John McCain and Bill Clinton, but we know everyone will be tuning in for Tina Fey's cameos as Sarah Palin — an amusing but one-note impersonation that's getting as tired as the candidates in the U.S. election these days.

Life On Mars

Season Premiere: Oct. 9
Network: Global

"Anticipated" is the wrong word for this Americanized remake of the hit British cop/time travel show — "dreaded" is more accurate, especially since it's gone through several major re-castings and a location change since ABC finished its first pilot months ago. The series stars Harvey Keitel and Gretchen Mol.

Rick McGinnis/Metro Canada

Fall ratings dropping

A SLOW START: The fall TV season — which we haven't quite escaped; do I need to point that out? — is unofficially in its second week, and the numbers aren't looking good. According to a Variety story this week, ratings have seen a 4.3 per cent decline from last year, with NBC getting the worst battering, losing a whopping 16.3 per cent of its viewership, followed by CBS, with an overall ratings decline of 9.6 per cent.

Only Fox and the CW are showing modest gains, though a Fox executive told Variety that he basically blamed viewers. "I just don't think the general audience was ready or prepared or aware that broadcast TV was back with new season premieres," said Peter Liguori, chairman of entertainment for Fox. I know what he means — even I can't help but feel nostalgic for a time when we spent half the summer getting ready for the new TV season.

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As a kid, we used to scan the production notes in Variety eager for news from the sets of Happy Days and All In The Family, and would linger for hours under shady trees to escape the midday heat and imagine just what we thought was going to happen in the upcoming seasons of Rhoda and The Rockford Files. We'd even turn our backyards into the junkyard set from Sanford & Son, and fight to see who got to play Meathead or J.J. from Good Times. Kids these days — they have no respect for tradition.

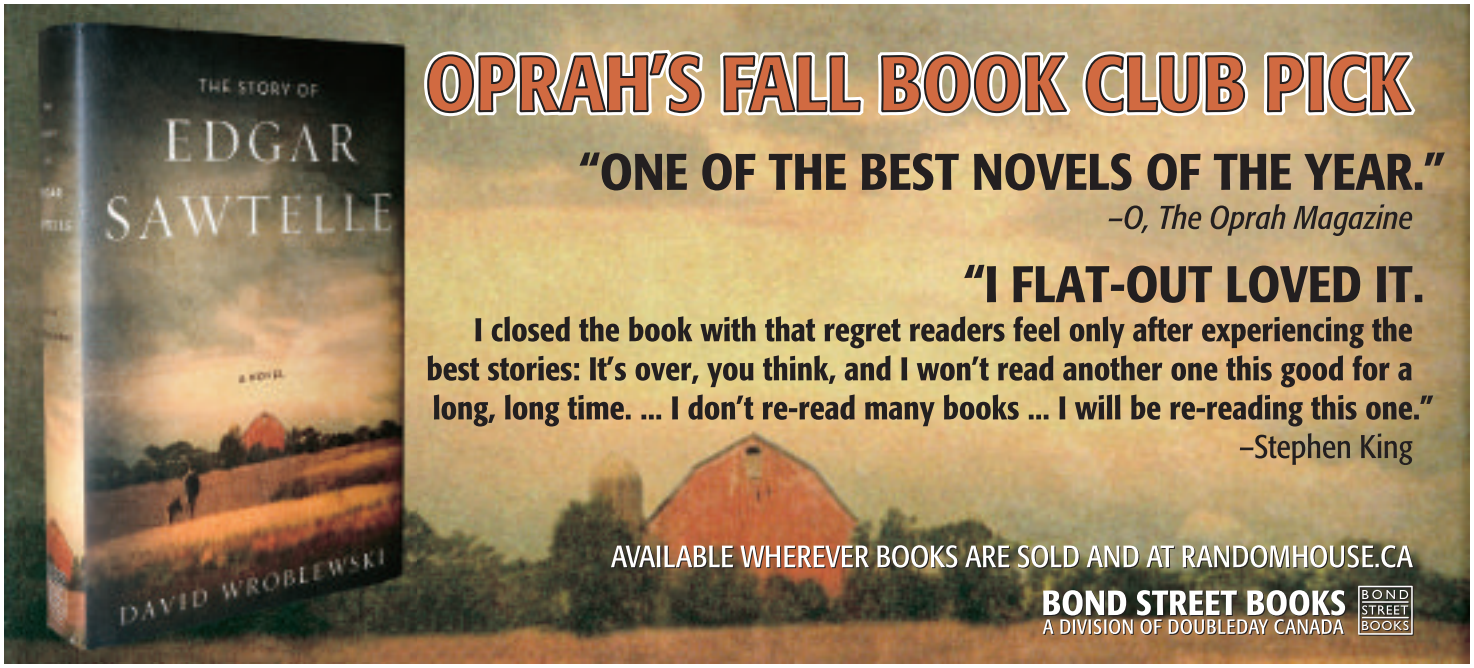
Fox, true to form, has been the quickest to react, rewarding Fringe with a second season despite its disappointing performance so far, and getting ready to cancel the Sarah Connor Chronicles for dragging down the ratings for Prison Break, its lead-out show on Tuesday nights. Most returning shows are trying to regain audiences lost to the short season caused by the Hollywood writers' strike, but many of them have been off the air for 10 months. It's at times like this that a download marketplace instead of a seasonal broadcast schedule should start looking even more attractive to executives; it's already inevitable, but even at times like this, it's unwise to underestimate the entropy that rules decision-making in the TV industry.

IN THE WOODS: Food programming is probably the most constricted on the air in terms of style, but the Food Network might have broken the mold with The Wild Chef, a homegrown production debuting tonight. Hosted by Martin Picard, the bear-like chef/owner of Montreal's Au Pied de Cochon, and his amiable sous chef Hugue Dufour, it's a woolly, ambling travelogue through the backwoods of Quebec, as Picard searches for something he's never eaten before, like the muskrat he barbecues in the pilot.

A highlight is Picard and Dufour standing in a blizzard, blithely telling the audience that the first ingredient they need for a recipe is a snowstorm. The show is so utterly Canadian, right to the marrow of its essence, that it practically makes up the full requirements of Cancon, and should free Food up to turn over the balance of its week to Jamie Oliver and Rachel Ray.

IntelleVision

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.



Hills star to get own show?

The Hills star Audrina Patridge has been entertaining offers for her own TV show. "She has been in talks with MTV for her own show, but nothing is set in stone just yet," says an insider. INTOUCHWEEKLY.COM

Television

911 caller snapped photos of Locklear

A lawyer for the woman whose 911 call led to Heather Locklear's arrest says she also snapped paparazzi photos, but alerted authorities for safety's sake.

Lawyer Nicholas Tepper says Jill Ishkanian, who operates Sunset Photo & News, acted heroically when she reported an erratic driver Saturday. Ishkanian photographed Locklear's sobriety test, then sold the pictures to TMZ for more than $27,000, Tepper said.

Tepper called the ensuing TMZ posts accusing Ishkanian of alerting a paparazzo to Locklear's impending arrest "lies and innuendo." A phone message for TMZ head Harvey Levin was not immediately returned Wednesday evening.

The California Highway Patrol said Locklear showed "obvious impairment," but alcohol has been ruled out.

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Heather Locklear

Hogans to reunite for Nick's release

FAMILY Hulk Hogan's incarcerated son Nick will bring his feuding family back together when he's released from jail in Florida on Oct. 21, imdb.com reports.

His pop star sister Brooke Hogan has revealed she's planning a reunion with her estranged parents Hulk and Linda to mark Nick's release from Pinellas County Jail in Clearwater, Fla.

"For Nick, we will all go together. He wants to see us. It's not about us, it's about him," she says.

Brooke is planning to cook up a feast for her 18-year-old brother once he becomes a free man.

"He wants me to cook him everything that exists," she tells Life + Style magazine. "Mac and cheese, cheeseburgers, salad, chicken — he'd even eat broccoli if I made it for him. Anything other than jail food."

Nick is serving an eight-month sentence after pleading no contest to a felony reckless driving offence following a car crash in Clearwater, Fla., which left his friend and passenger, John Graziano, brain damaged.

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90210 cancelled Down Under

RATINGS Beverly Hills, 90210 spinoff 90210 has been axed from Australian TV screens due to poor ratings, imdb.com reports.

The drama was dropped from Channel 10 after just four episodes because there wasn't enough interest in the show.

The debut program pulled in 837,000 viewers last month, while the last episode shown on Monday achieved viewing figures of just 616,000.

The station intends to broadcast the remaining episodes during the non-ratings period over summer.

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	400	400	30	TSN	CFL Football BC Lions at Toronto Argonauts. From Rogers Centre in Toronto.						CFL Football: Stampeders at Roughriders		
family	551	542	25	YTV	*Cheaper by the Dozen 2* ★★ (2005, Comedy)				Smallville		Dark Oracle	Mystery Hnt.	Mystery Hnt.
	554	544	45	TEL	George-Jungle	Bugs Bunny & Tweety Show		6teen	Total Drama	Futurama	Father of Pride	Robot Chicken	Life's a Zoo
	556	540	51	FAM	Wizards-Place	*Twitches* (2005, Fantasy) Tia Mowry.			*Air Bud: Golden Receiver* ★ (1998)			*Remember the Titans*	
cable variety	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami "Burned"		CSI: Miami "Kill Switch"		CSI: Miami "The Score"		Criminal Minds
	575	583	38	CMT	Chevy Cross Canada Countdown				Reba	Hope & Faith	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Dedicated
	616	521	39	SHO	The Best Years (DVS)		The Guard (HDTV)		Cock'd Gunns	Kenny-Spenny	Webdreams	Webdreams	Sin Cities
	294	529	47	TBS	House-Payne	House-Payne	*The Prince & Me* ★★ (2004, Romance-Comedy)				Cheers	Family Guy	Family Guy
	581	566	52	MTV	4REAL	After	Made "Kickboxer"		Paris Hilton's My New BFF		The Hills	The Hills	After
	603	561	56	FOOD	The Main	Chef at Large	Restaurant Makeover		Chef Abroad	The Wild Chef	Diner, Drive-In	Diner, Drive-In	Restaurant
	300	601	301	M1	(6:50) *The Brave One* ★★ (2007, Suspense)				Sanctuary (N)				*The Last Door*

SATURDAY

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
10/4/08 primetime	265	353	2	TVO	National Geographic (N)		*Nobody's Fool* ★★★ (1994, Drama) Paul Newman.				The Interviews	(10:25) *The Late Show*	
	211	331	3	GTV	Disasters of the Century		Painkiller Jane		Sinking a Destroyer		Kenny-Spenny	Trailer Park	News (N)
	215	343	4	OMN1	Na Luzie		Svitohliad	Objektyv	Russian Waves		Sinking the Gustloff		MADtv
	210	302	6	CBC	*Glory Road* ★★★ (2006, Drama) Josh Lucas.				HNIC-Anthem Challenge		City Chase (N)		*Spaceballs*
	214	344	7	CITY	Survivorman (DVS)		Role	Kaya	*Hide and Seek* ★ (2000, Suspense) Daryl Hannah. (DVS)				News (N)
	212	313	8	CTV	W-FIVE-Sledhead		*Doomstown* (2006, Drama) Chris "K.C." Collins.				Law & Order: SVU		News (N)
	218	345	11	E!	E News	The Soup (N)	D. Richards	Living Lohan	Dr. 90210 Family man.		Expensive Celebrity Weddings		News (N)
	-	387	16	CBS	Paid Program	Colon Detox	48 Hours Mystery (N)		EliteXC Saturday Night Fights (Live)				News (N)
	-	385	17	NBC	Niagara Falls	Paid Program	Knight Rider (HDTV)		Chuck (HDTV)		Law & Order: SVU		News (N)
	-	386	18	ABC	YouNews TV	Paid Program	College Football Ohio State at Wisconsin or Oregon at USC. (HDTV) (Live)						
	219	346	20	ACH-B	The Road to Avonlea		*Out of Sync* (2000, Drama) Gail O'Grady, Kari Wuhrer.				Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	News (N)
	-	-	28	FOX	Paid Program	Paid Program	Cops (N)	Cops	America's Most Wanted		The Simpsons	The Simpsons	MADtv
	-	388	61	PBS	All Creatures Great and Small		Ballykissangel		Return of Sherlock Holmes		Distant Shores		Masterpiece
news	500	500	33	CNN	Lou Dobbs This Week (HDTV)		Special Investigations		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Investigations
sports	405	417	22	net	MLB Baseball: National League Division Series Game 3 -- Phillies at Brewers					MLB Baseball: NLDS Game 3 -- Cubs at Dodgers			
	400	400	30	TSN	CFL Football Winnipeg Blue Bombers at Edmonton Eskimos. (HDTV) (Live)						Boxing Yuriokis Gamboa vs. Marcos Ramirez.		
family	551	542	25	YTV	Wolverine	Transformers	*Justice League: The New Frontier* (2008, Action)				Storm Hawks	Dark Oracle	Mystery Hnt.
	554	544	45	TEL	George-Jungle	Bugs Bunny & Tweety Show		6teen	Total Drama	Futurama	*A Scanner Darkly* ★★★ (2006, Action)		
	556	540	51	FAM	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	*Bailey's Billions* (2005, Comedy)			(10:33) *Father and Scout*	
cable variety	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami "Dead Zone"		CSI: Miami "Fade Out"		CSI: Miami "Skeletons"		The Sopranos (HDTV)		The Sopranos
	575	583	38	CMT	Crossroads		Karaoke Star "Finale"				Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Grand Opry
	616	521	39	SHO	About a Girl	Kink in Hair	*Dog Park* ★★ (1998, Romance-Comedy), Luke Wilson				*Underworld: Evolution* ★★ (2006, Horror)		
	294	529	47	TBS	House-Payne	House-Payne	*Twisted* ★ (2004, Suspense) Ashley Judd, Andy Garcia.				*Twisted* ★ (2004, Suspense)		
	581	566	52	MTV	MTV Shuffle		Made "Kickboxer"		MTV News	After	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs
	603	561	56	FOOD	Chef Abroad	The Wild Chef	Restaurant Makeover		Dinner: Impossible		Kitchen Nightmares		The F Word
	300	601	301	M1	*Happy Feet* ★★★ (2006, Adventure), Robin Williams				*Elizabeth: The Golden Age* ★★ (2007, Historical Drama)				*Revolver*

SUNDAY

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10/5/08 primetime	265	353	2	TVO	Prehistoric Park		Chinese School (Part 3 of 5)		Mr. Harvey Lights a Candle			The View From Here	
	211	331	3	GTV	renegadepress	King of the Hill	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	(10:01) Brothers & Sisters		News (N)
	215	343	4	OMN1	Without a Trace		Friends	Barbieri		Noi Oggi	Metropia	Metropia	Vamos-Balinho
	210	302	6	CBC	Heartland "Ghost Horse"		*Céline* (2008, Biography) Christine Ghawi, Jodelle Ferland.				CBC News: Sunday Night (N)		fifth estate
	214	344	7	CITY	NFL Football	Two/Half Men	Valentine "Valentine" (N)		Easy Money "DNA" (N)		Survivorman (DVS)		News (N)
	212	313	8	CTV	Star Wars Clo.	Degrassi: Next	The Amazing Race 13		Desperate Housewives		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		News (N)
	218	345	11	E!	Instant Beauty Pageant		Extreme Makeover: Home		Celebrity Crises		Final 24 "Keith Moon"		News (N)
	-	387	16	CBS	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		The Amazing Race 13		Cold Case "True Calling"		The Unit "Sudden Flight"		News (N)
	-	385	17	NBC	Football Night in America		(8:15) NFL Football Pittsburgh Steelers at Jacksonville Jaguars. (HDTV) (Live)						
	-	386	18	ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives		(10:01) Brothers & Sisters		News
	219	346	20	ACH-B	Funniest Home Videos		Gossip Girl (HDTV)		Cold Case "True Calling"		Mad Men		News
	-	-	28	FOX	NFL Postgame	NFL Postgame	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cold Case
	-	388	61	PBS	The Lawrence Welk Show		Nature (DVS)		Masterpiece Contemporary (N) (DVS)		P.O.V. "In the Family" (N)		
news	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		Special Investigations		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Investigations
sports	405	417	22	net	NFL Football	MLB Baseball	Division Series -- Teams TBA. (HDTV) (Joined in Progress) (Live)				MLB Baseball Division Series -- Teams TBA.		
	400	400	30	TSN	Football Night in America		(8:15) NFL Football Pittsburgh Steelers at Jacksonville Jaguars. (HDTV) (Live)						
family	551	542	25	YTV	(6) *Superman Returns* ★★★ (2006, Adventure) Brandon Routh.					Prank Patrol	Falcon Beach		Mystery Hnt.
	554	544	45	TEL	George-Jungle	Fraggle Rock	The Raccoons	6teen	Total Drama	Futurama	*The Matrix* ★★★ (1999, Science Fiction)		
	556	540	51	FAM	That's-Raven	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	*Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century* (1999)			(10:37) *Short Circuit* (1986)	
cable variety	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami "Innocent"		CSI: Miami "Shattered"		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		The Cleaner
	575	583	38	CMT	CMT Star: Pets	Weddings	Fortune's Favour		Gone Country		Home Improve.	Home Improve.	*The Bodyguard*
	616	521	39	SHO	The Guard (HDTV)		*Every Second Counts* (2008, Drama) Stephen Collins.				Weeds	Rescue Me	Kenny-Spenny
	294	529	47	TBS	(6) *Trapped* (2002)		*The Wedding Date* ★★ (2005)			(9:45) *The Wedding Date* (2005, Romance-Comedy)			
	581	566	52	MTV	Made "Kickboxer"		Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	After
	603	561	56	FOOD	Jamie at Home	Exotic	Challenge		Iron Chef America		Jamie's Kitchen Australia		Chef School
	300	601	301	M1	(6:15) *Evan Almighty*		Life & Times	Entourage (N)	True Blood (N)		Dexter "Finding Freebo"		Life & Times

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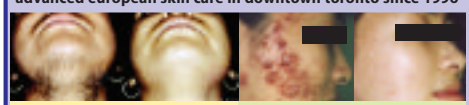

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BROWNS CELEBRATES FASHION: Porter girls, from left, Stefanie Tete, Diana Velasquez and Olga Haliuk.

CLASSICAL 96.3 ALL DAY OPERA FEST: Vice president of communications Leanne Wright with executive director MZTZ Peter Hayman.

LEFT, CLASSICAL 96.3 ALL DAY OPERA FEST: Soprano star Joni Henson. **RIGHT, ROGER MOOKING FOOD SHOW/CD LAUNCH:** Chef and singer Roger Mooking

SHOES AND SONG had partygoers looking their best and carrying a tune. Yorkville was the party hot spot as Browns celebrated fashion with a footwear fundraiser for the SickKids Foundation. However, things got swinging at the Classical 96.3 all-day music fest while chef Roger Mooking cooked up a storm at his CD and show launch party.

LEFT, BROWNS CELEBRATES FASHION: Fashion guest Jacqueline Hennessy

CLASSICAL 96.3 ALL DAY OPERA FEST: MZTV host and producer Darrin Maharaj and Telus Mobility vice-president Maria Hale.

LEFT, BROWNS CELEBRATES FASHION: Event host Canada AM's Beverly Thomson. **RIGHT, CLASSICAL 96.3 ALL DAY OPERA FEST:** Zoomer Magazine editor Suzanne Boyd.

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Going Out

Metro's 7th Heaven: What's hot right now

1 Jennifer Hudson

Former American Idol contestant turned Oscar-winning actress Jennifer Hudson finally released her self-titled debut album on Tuesday. The disc features the mellow and groovy song Spotlight, which is exactly where the powerhouse talent belongs.

2 Victoria Beckham's pixie cut

Designer Victoria Beckham's new do is the hottest thing in hairdressing at the moment, but it only works best on certain face shapes. "You'll need well-defined cheekbones and a low forehead to carry this look off," femalefirst.co.uk reports celebrity session stylist Denise Mcadam as saying.

3 Breast Cancer Awareness Month

"Pink" products are on sale this month to help support the fight against breast cancer, and why not take this time to think about cancer in a broader sense, too? There are more than 200 types of the disease, cancerhelp.org.uk reports, and it can develop in any organ. Awareness is one step toward gaining the upper hand over the illness.

4 30 Rock: Season 2

The sitcom 30 Rock recently won four Emmy Awards, and its second season comes out on DVD on Tuesday. The two-disc set includes commentary and deleted scenes.

5 The Story of Edgar Sawtelle: A Novel, by David Wroblewski

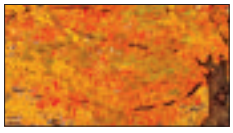
The Story of Edgar Sawtelle: A Novel is talk-show host Oprah Winfrey's latest choice for her book club, which practically guarantees it a spot on the bestsellers' lists. Amazon.ca describes the debut novel by David Wroblewski as "modern take on Hamlet set in rural Wisconsin."

6 Whole grains

If it's a baked good, there's probably a whole-grain version of it. Packed with health benefits, "exotic grains such as amaranth, quinoa, teff, millet, and Kamut are going mainstream," says American Dietetic Association president Connie Diekman, MEd, RD.

7 Fall foliage

Mother Nature's annual foliage spectacular is taking place, so consider getting outside to a park or hiking trail, with a camera in hand, to create your own postcard-perfect pictures of nature transforming.



... and what's not

Botox for a boy

Actress Sharon Stone allegedly wanted to Botox her son's feet. She has denied making the suggestion, to fight foot odour.

The real MacKenzie

Actress aims for 'new' Maria in classic musical

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She's 23 and timeless. Elicia MacKenzie, Canada's pick to portray Maria in the stage production of The Sound of Music, will make her professional debut in the beloved role today at the Princess of Wales Theatre.

And although the musical is almost twice as old as she is, the 23-year-old says everyone can appreciate the von Trapp tale.

"I think it's a story that goes through the times," MacKenzie said. "It's something that people can relate to no matter what era it is in, or how old they are. The young ones can relate to the kids in the show.

"I think its (appeal) has a lot to do with people losing somebody, and then gaining that joy and happiness again and feeling like they belong."

MacKenzie knows something about gaining joy. The Surrey, B.C., native won the role by getting the most votes on the CBC reality series How Do You Solve a Problem Like Maria?

The series began in January with a nationwide casting tour. From there, 200 potential Marias were brought to Toronto, but just 50 were chosen for Maria school. Ten women then made the cut for the TV show.

MacKenzie was the last Maria standing after the final episode July 28.

"A bit of whirlwind," she said about her life since winning the role. "There's been a lot of interviews, a lot of hard work at the rehearsals. Luckily, I got to go home for two weeks to B.C. and visit my family before I started rehearsals, so that was good. We've just been going ever since."

CYLLA VON TIEDEMANN PHOTO

Elicia MacKenzie, 23, was selected from a nationwide casting tour and subsequent reality series to play Maria in the stage production of The Sound of Music, which begins tonight.

The hills are alive ... again

- **WHAT:** The Sound of Music
- **WHERE:** Princess of Wales Theatre, 300 King St. W
- **WHEN:** Today to Jan. 11
- **TICKETS:** Visit www.mirvish.com

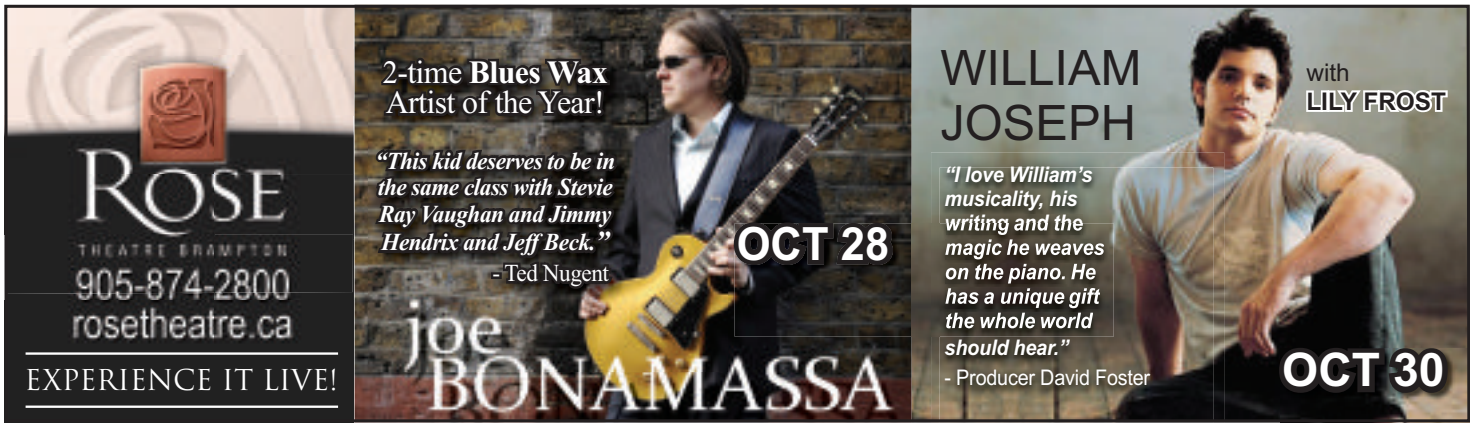
For many people, Julie Andrews defined the Maria role in the 1965 Sound of Music movie. MacKenzie says she's more concerned with the real Maria than trying to duplicate her performance.

"I can't be like her, because I'm not," MacKenzie said about Andrews. "Of course, there's going to be me in (the role), and I'm going by the story and also remembering that she's a real person. The story originated with this person that lived in Austria and grew up there.

"I'm taking things from the show, as well as this person, too, and all the qualities that they mention in it."

And if you're one of the 2,000 at the Princess of Wales tonight, don't be surprised if one section of the theatre is cheering louder than the rest.

"I've got a lot family coming down from B.C., and a lot of family also coming from New Brunswick," MacKenzie said, about 30 in total. "So it will be really good support."



Going Out

Shaw to mount Coward series

Noel Coward and his self-proclaimed "talent to amuse" will take centre stage at the Shaw Festival next season.

In the highly appealing season announced recently, artistic director Jackie Maxwell revealed that the festival will present all 10 shows from the late playwright's series of one-act plays called Tonight at 8:30, marking the first time they have all been produced in repertory by a professional company since their debut in London 73 years ago.

"Coward is so popular," Maxwell told the Toronto Star, "that it's hard to resist him. He also wrote wonderful parts for actors and these plays will showcase the virtuosity of our company to perfection."

The shows will be presented in three separate programs, one appearing in each of the festival's three theatres and — on two occasions during the season — it will be possible to attend all 10 plays in one day as part of an event called "Mad Dogs and Englishmen."

The festival's namesake, Bernard Shaw, will be represented by two productions, The Devil's Disciple and In Good King Charles' Golden Days, and the playbill will also feature such entertaining pieces as Garson Kanin's Born Yesterday and Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine's Sunday in the Park With George.

The Sondheim show will be produced in the Royal George Theatre, meaning that there will be no musical on the Festival Stage after relying on one to fill the box office coffers for the past four years.

"It's very important to me not to get totally reliant on the musical as the cash cow," Maxwell insisted. "I wanted to give it a rest and besides, I feel the Cowards are so strong."

But Maxwell has a few serious tricks up her sleeve as well. John Osborne's The Entertainer, his revolutionary look at the decline of England through the prism of a fading music-hall show, will be presented in a special production being mounted at the Festival Rehearsal Hall, which designer Peter Hartwell is turning into a performance space.

"Doing a show like this kind of cocks a snook at the whole mandate," Maxwell chuckles, "and it gives us a chance to be a little more down and dirty ... if such a thing like that is ever possible at the Shaw.

"I'd like to build the idea that there's this slightly renegade side to the festival, and you have to keep giving clear signals to people as to what you're doing."

The weightier part of the season is also being noted by productions of Eugene O'Neill's A Moon for the Misbegotten and Michel Tremblay's Albertine in Five Times.

Directors for the season will include Maxwell, former artistic director Christopher Newton, Alisa Palmer, Eda Holmes, Joseph Ziegler, Micheline Chevrier, Neil Munro, Kate Lynch and Tadeusz Bradecki.

Casting has not been announced, but sources indicate that Jim Mezon will be starring in A Moon for the Misbegotten and Steven Sutcliffe will play Georges Seurat in Sunday in the Park With George.

Previews will begin on April 1, 2009, opening night will be May 20 and the festival will run until Nov. 1.

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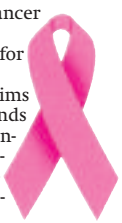
Ready, set, run for a cure

FUNDRAISER Torontonians will be thinking pink on Sunday, when they take part in the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation CIBC Run for the Cure.



The event aims to raise funds for breast cancer education, treatment and research.

Participants may register and pick up a run kit today from 5-7 pm, and tomorrow, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at Running Room locations (see factbox).

On Sunday, final registration takes place at 8 a.m. at Nathan Phillips Square.

To still get in on the action, go to cibcrunforthecure.com/html/en/about.asp to register online.

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Running Room locations

- 8900 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill
- 3-2100 Bloor Street West, High Park
- 1977 Queen Street East, Beaches
- 2629 Yonge Street, Yonge & Eglinton* (North of Eglinton)
- 30 Wellington Street, Commerce Court*
- 4984 Yonge Street, North York
- 1087 Yonge Street, Rosedale

*Shifts today from 11:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m. at Commerce Court and Yonge and Eglinton locations only).

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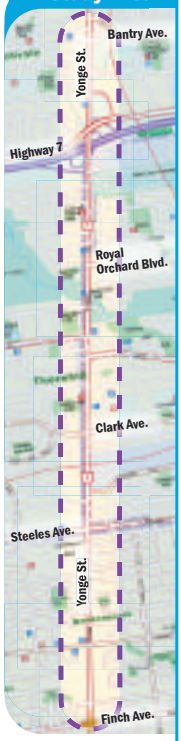
Yonge Subway Extension
Notice of Commencement of the Transit Project Assessment Process

The Project The Regional Municipality of York, in partnership with York Region Rapid Transit Corporation, is nearing the completion of a Conceptual Design and Functional Planning Study for a proposed extension of the Yonge Street Subway, from its current terminus at Finch Station in the City of Toronto to the Richmond Hill Centre at Yonge Street and Highway 7. The purpose of the study was to evaluate alignment alternatives, station locations and associated facilities in consultation with public and government stakeholders, to develop a technically feasible solution. The results of this study are the basis for the Transit Project.

The Transit Project is an underground 6.5 km, 6 subway station extension of the Yonge Street Subway from its terminus at Finch Station in the City of Toronto to a proposed terminus in the Richmond Hill Centre. Stations are proposed at Cummer Avenue/ Drewry Avenue, Steeles Avenue, Clark Avenue, Royal Orchard Boulevard, Longbridge Road/Langstaff Road, and Richmond Hill Centre. Intermodal bus terminals are proposed for Steeles Station and Richmond Hill Centre Station.

The Transit Project follows the Yonge Street right-of-way to south of Highway 407. Alternative alignments from south of the Highway 407 to the Richmond Hill Centre are being examined. The subway tunnels cross under Hydro One's high voltage transmission corridor which parallels Highway 407. A commuter parking lot, as well as passenger pick-up and drop-off facilities are proposed to be located on the Hydro One/ORC lands south of Highway 407. An easement will be required from Hydro One/Ontario Realty Corporation as part of the undertaking. It is intended that this project will also address the requirements of the ORC Class Environmental Assessment Process.

Study Area


The Process The Yonge Subway Extension Transit Project Assessment Process is following Ontario Regulation 231/08, Transit Projects and Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Undertakings (2008). The environmental impact of this Transit Project will be assessed in accordance with the Transit Project Assessment Process as prescribed in Ontario Regulation 231/08.

As part of the Transit Project Assessment Process, an Environmental Project Report is being prepared. Draft technical papers of the report will be available starting on **October 17, 2008,** for a 30-day review period at the locations listed below as well as the project website at **vivayork.com.** Interested persons are encouraged to review these documents and provide comments to the Project Team by **November 17, 2008,** at the addresses below. Public Consultation will occur in November 2008 to discuss the Transit Project, potential effects and proposed mitigation measures. Additional information and materials will be posted on the project website as they become available.

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Going Out

Close encounters

Cabaret fest puts musicians in intimate settings

Life is a cabaret, old chum, or at least it's going to be this week at the Young Centre for the Performing Arts.

Soulpepper Theatre's artistic director, Albert Schultz, is a great fan of the art form known as cabaret, in which a group of idiosyncratic musicians assemble to share some special songs in an intimate setting.

So he's put together an amazing mini-festival in which 50 artists will perform cabaret-style in a series of shows that run from through Sunday.

There will be solo turns from the eclectic likes of Steven Page, Andrew Craig, Patricia O'Callaghan, Melanie Doane and Canada's own hot songwriting duo, The Breithaupt Brothers.

Also on the agenda are a trio of Songbook performances, hosted by the erudite Robert Cushman, with the above artists and more joining to celebrate the work of Leonard Cohen, Duke Ellington and Kurt Weill.

See them live

- **WHAT:** Canwest Cabaret Festival.
- **WHEN:** Now to Sunday.
- **WHERE:** Young Centre for the Performing Arts, Distillery District, 55 Mill St.
- **TICKETS:** $20 per event or packages: 3 concerts for $51 or 5 for $70 at 416-866-8666. See youngcentre.ca for information

Doane gives an insight into how it all came together.

"Albert was over at our house one night and he said, 'I'd like to do a show like this, with you just being casual, playing the bass, piano and mandolin and singing songs you enjoy.'"

Before you know it, he'd signed her up for a pair of solo performances and it's easy to see how everyone else came on board the same way.

"I consider Albert Schultz to be a particularly visionary character," says Craig, "and it was an immediate yes when he asked me to participate in this event."

Craig is spearheading the Ellington evening, which he calls both "enthralling and challenging" because of the wealth of material available.

He's put together a fascinating group, consisting of Jackie Richardson, John Alcorn, Don Francks and Mary Margaret O'Hara.

O'Callaghan is appearing in two of the Songbook evenings, devoted to Weill and Cohen, a pair of her passions.

"Every time I revisit Weill's music," says O'Callaghan. "I find there's always something new to discover. It's an incredible mix of the political and the sexual, which is why it's perfect to perform in this kind of intimate cabaret setting." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Body becomes face

Dancer exposes the naked truth in new show

There's nothing new or particularly rare about bare-assed dancers. We're used to seeing performers shed all their clothes or prance about in nothing but the briefest of briefs.

But Daniel Léveillé's all-nude, all-the-time dances – first Amour Acide et Noix and now La Pudeur des icebergs, a creation from 2004 that received its Toronto premiere last night — force a different kind of watching.

Perhaps at some point in his student days in architectural studies Léveillé was struck by the Mies Van Der Rohe dictum "less is more." For as Léveillé has learned, viewers of his works pay much closer attention than they normally would to details such as the beating of a heart or the musculature of the torso, identical in structure for all humans, but so different from one individual to another. Exposed like this, the body becomes a face, one critic noted.

Show details

- **WHAT:** La Pudeur des icebergs
- **WHERE:** Fleck Dance Theatre (formerly Premiere Dance), 207 Queen's Quay W.
- **WHEN:** Tonight at 8.
- **TICKETS:** $28 at 416-973-4000 or harbourfrontcentre.com

There is plenty of time for close study in La Pudeur (or modesty), a dance for five men and a woman. The movements are slow and deliberate, often in silence. When the music, Chopin's piano Preludes, comes up, it is somewhat distant. Léveillé wanted a sense of something coming from the past.

This Montreal choreographer, whose career in dance began in 1976, talks of his work in terms of "writing," "text" and "reading." He spends a long time working out his dances, to get the formations that will deliver the same satisfaction as a well-crafted sentence.

"The first experience of dance I had was on TV," says the choreographer, born in 1952 and raised in a small town south of Montreal. He saw some jazz dancers in a high school show and realized that was what he wanted to do. "The minute I took my first class I realized it was a language I could write with."

In the 1980s, he had a company with Ginette Laurin, which he left to her, continuing as a freelance choreographer until 1991, when he formed Daniel Léveillé Danse. "I create about one piece every three years," he says.

"With La Pudeur, I wanted to work with (configurations) of three and try to create a perfect love triangle. It took me six months to figure out."

Without clothes, the dancers' social identities are removed, but there are allusions to relationships — a man strokes another's back; another one grabs the cheek of the woman's bottom. But the narrative content is scant. These gestures are brief reminders that these physical specimens — doing difficult feats like jumping, lifting or balancing on top of one another — have lives, too. There's a kind of drama in the non-dramatic format. "You see them thinking," says Léveillé, "and you see their emotion."

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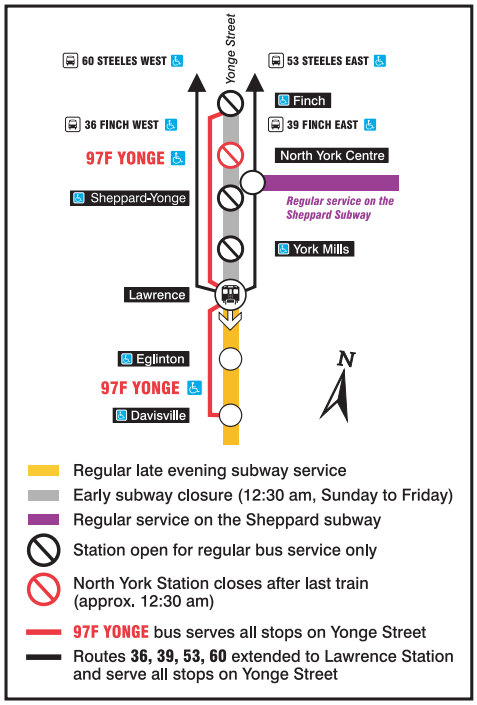

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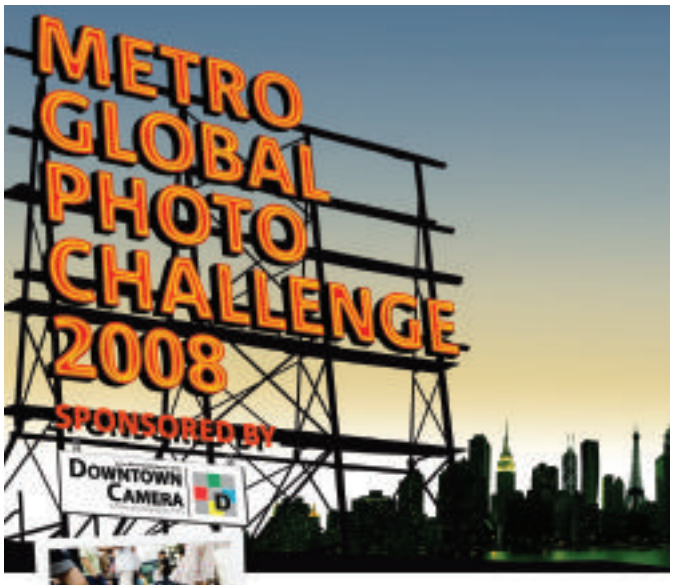

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Marco Polo provides connection with youth

A bit more than 700 years ago, Venetian merchant brothers travelled east in search of new business opportunities. The youngest sibling's ensuing Asian exploits, published in English as The Adventures of Marco Polo, is one of the greatest stories of all time.

Here and now, Toronto Consort artistic director David Fallis noticed that more and more of his high school audiences are made up of students of Asian origin. Looking for a practical way to connect with them, he has set his sights on the East as well.

"Marco Polo seemed to be such a great hook," says Fallis of the Consort's season opener of medieval music from Western Europe, Georgia and China at Trinity-St. Paul's Centre today and Saturday.

Like a good superhero, Marco Polo opens doors for unlimited sequels. "The number of cultures he encountered is dizzying," says Fallis. "If this year is a success, we might continue this project" with India and Persia.

Two ensembles join the Toronto Consort to provide ethnic authenticity: Alan Gasser and his vocal trio Kavkasia specialize in the sounds of the Black Sea coast, while a Chinese court trio — Yongli Xue on zheng (zither), YuCheng Zhang on traditional Chinese flutes and leader Wen Zhao on pipa (lute) — will delve into the 13th-century world of the emperor Kublai Khan, founder of the Yuan Dynasty.

Each ensemble will perform separately, but there will be a couple of common pieces, including a song with lyrics in ancient Mandarin.

"It is a language that even Chinese people have trouble pronouncing," says Zhao, an internationally respected master who teaches pipa at the Royal Conservatory of Music and York University. She has drawn her pieces from a compilation known as the shen-chi mi-p'u.

"Shen-chi means secret. Mi is private and p'u means notation," Zhao explains.

Although the original handwritten records, compiled over hundreds of years, were once considered lost, Chinese scholars and traditional musicians have carefully reassembled the archive.

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Toronto Consort and Guests:
- Trinity-St. Paul's Centre, 427 Bloor St. W.
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Arts events colour season

Here are highlights of local arts events taking place in Toronto this season:

VISUAL ARTS

The Drawings and Paintings of Daphne Odjig: A Retrospective Exhibition

Far from the crowds at Nuit Blanche — the overnight, Toronto-wide art hop that starts tomorrow — Odjig's painting is about connecting: parents with their children, old with the young, men with women. Indeed, her erotica can be graphic and hot.

"Sexual matters were part of life," she says about growing up on Manitoulin Island. Winner of the 2007 Governor General's visual arts award, the 89-year-old First Nations artist now lives in British Columbia. For years, though, her work crossed tracks with Norval Morrisseau's, her late contemporary, through its spiritualism and visionary quest for renewal. But Odjig is worldly in a way Morrisseau was not, more at home in the culture he felt had rejected him.

When: Oct. 4 to Jan. 4
Where: McMichael Canadian Art Collection, 10365 Islington Ave., Kleinburg, mcmichael.com.
Tickets: Adult admission is $15.

Art Gallery of Ontario reopening

Lured by three days of free admission following the AGO's Nov. 14 opening, the public can explore its 110 galleries filled with some 4,000 works.

One star of the show is architect Frank Gehry, whose $276-million renovation added 97,000 square feet to the gallery, increasing the space for art by 47 per cent.

Peter Paul Rubens's painting The Massacre of the Innocents, the centrepiece of Ken Thomson's donation of 2,000 works, is a must-see. But the new prominence given to contemporary work will be the AGO's lasting triumph, in showing that Canadian art doesn't end with the Group of Seven.

When: Nov. 14 onwards
Where: Art Gallery of Ontario, 317 Dundas St. W., ago.net
Tickets: Free from Nov. 14 to 16. Adult entry will cost $18 after that.

Carte Blanche: Volume 2 — Painting

The Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art's spotlight on emerging, mid-career and veteran Canadian painters is drawn from the Carte Blanche series of art books.

Tony Scherman, Shelley Adler, Harold Klunder and 99 other Canadian painters are bountifully featured in Carte Blanche: Volume 2 — Painting (published by the Magenta Foundation, $75), with an essay from Toronto gallery owner Clint Roenisch, an organizer of the MOCCA exhibition drawn from 30 artists featured in the book. But the real star is MaryAnn Camilleri, who dreamed up the first in the book series, Carte Blanche: Volume 1 — Photography. "From the first minute I started Magenta I was told Canada's too small for this kind of thing," says Magenta's feisty publisher. "We're proving there is a market."

When: Nov. 15 to Dec. 28
Where: Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art, 952 Queen St. W., mocca.toronto.on.ca
Tickets: Admission is free.

> **"(The Seagull) is the emotional life behind Chekov's words."**
> John Neumeier

DANCE

The Seagull

The National Ballet of Canada's first performance of John Neumeier's The Seagull will be an occasion to see a story ballet in contemporary mode.

The American choreographer, based in Germany, has converted the Anton Chekhov play about the role of the artist and the relationship between love and art into a theatrical work with dancers and choreographers as the main characters.

The music is a charged score from Dmitri Shostakovich, Evelyn Glennie, Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky and Alexander Scriabin.

"It is the emotional life behind Chekhov's words," says Neumeier, transformed into dance.

When: Nov. 14 to 23
Where: Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts, 145 Queen St. W.
Tickets: $20 to $155 at national.ballet.ca. or 416-345-9595

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AGOKWE Explores unrequited love between teenage boys from reserves. To Oct. 12. Tue.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2:30 p.m. $20-$29; PWYC Sun. Buddies in Bad Times Theatre, 12 Alexander. 416-975-8555.

AMAKHOSI, THE KINGS OF AFRICA African legends told through dance, mime and acrobatics. Sept. 27-Oct. 12. Sat., Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Sat. 3 p.m.; Sun. 5 p.m. $20-$70. Downsview Park. 416-952-2222.

CALIFORNIA SUITE Neil Simon comedy set in the Beverly Hills Hotel. Sept. 25-Oct. 11. Thu.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. $15-$25. Fairview Public Library Theatre, 35 Fairview Mall, North York. 416-299-5557.

THE CRACKWALKER The story of a mentally challenged girl in Kingston. To Oct. 11. Tue.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sat. 2:30 p.m. $15-$20; Tue. PWYC. Theatre Passe Muraille Backspace, 16 Ryerson. 416-504-7529.

AN EVENING WITH UNCLE VAL One-man comedy featuring retired fisherman Andy Jones. Oct. 1-19. Wed. 8 p.m. Preview $15. $30-$35. Theatre Passe Muraille, 16 Ryerson. 416-504-7529.

GHOSTS AND LADDERS Boy conquers his fear of heights. Sept. 29-Oct. 11. Mon.-Thu. 10:15 a.m.; Wed.-Thu. 1 p.m. $15-$20. Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People, 165 Front St. E. 416-862-2222.

JERSEY BOYS Dancap's last production of the season is a Tony Award-winning jukebox musical centred on songs made famous by Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. To Oct 5. Tue.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Wed. & Sun. 2 p.m. $55-$125. Toronto Centre for the Arts, 5040 Yonge St. 416-872-1111.

KING LEAR Titular character struggles with the betrayal of his daughters in Shakespeare's tragedy. Oct. 1-18. Wed. 8 p.m. $12/$20. Hart House Theatre, 7 Hart House. 416-978-8849.

LATE/BLACK MEDEA A double bill featuring one-act plays. To Oct. 5. Thu.-Sat., Tue. & Wed. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. $20-$30. Berkeley Street Theatre, 26 Berkeley. 416-368-3110.

MONTY PYTHON'S SPAMALOT To Oct. 5. Tue.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sat. & Sun. 2 p.m. $26-$110. Canon Theatre, 244 Victoria.

OFFENSIVE SHADOWS Contemporary sequel to A Midsummer Night's Dream. Sept. 26-Oct. 19. Tue.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2:30 p.m. Sun. PWYC; $15-$35. Tarragon Theatre Extra Space, 30 Bridgman. 416-531-1827.

WIT Scholar deals with her cancer diagnosis. Sept. 26-Oct. 11. Wed.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. $20. Wed., Thu. 2 for 1; Sun PWYC. Alumnae Theatre, 70 Berkley. 416-364-4170.

SCRATCH A girl's mother is dying while she has lice. Oct. 4-Nov. 2. Sat., Tue., Wed. 8 p.m.; Sun. 7 p.m. $15. Factory Mainspace Theatre, 125 Bathurst. 416-504-9971.

SLEEPING BEAUTY Prince Charming saves the princess from the Fairy Queen. Oct. 4-19. 11 a.m., 2 p.m. $13. Solar Stage Children's Theatre, 4950 Yonge St. 416-368-8031.

THE SOUND OF MUSIC A love story set in pre-WWII Austria. Oct. 3-Jan. 11. Tue. & Wed., Fri. & Sat. 7:30 p.m.; Wed. 1:30 p.m. $26-$120. Princess of Wales Theatre, 300 King St. W. 416-416-872-1212.

WILD DOGS An unlikely group forms a community until violence strikes. Oct. 4-Nov. 8. Mon.-Sat. 8 p.m.; Sat. 2 p.m.; Wed. 1:30 p.m. $20-$42; Mon PWYC. Berkley Theatre, Downstairs, 26 Berkley. 416-531-1827.

ANNE & GILBERT: THE MUSICAL Based on the sequels to Anne of Green Gables. Oct. 7-9. Tue. & Wed. 8 p.m. $45-$60. Rose Theatre, 1 Theatre, Brampton. 905-874-2800.

BLACK RIDER A stern father sets the terms for his daughter's marriage. Oct. 8-Nov. 16. Preview Wed. 8 p.m. $19. Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgman. 416-531-1827.

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PREFIX Projection: A video instalment by French artist Laurent Grasso. Sept. 25-Nov. 22. 401 Richmond St. W., suite 124. 647-430-5888.

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comedy

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TOMORROW

BAD DOG THEATRE Improv workshop. 7 p.m. Free. 416-491-3115. Theatresports w/ Kerry Griffin, Jan Caruana, Carmine Lucarelli, more. 8 p.m. $10. Battleawsome Awesomestar feat Paul Bates, Christy Bruce, Paul Constable, more. 10 p.m. $10. The Late Late Horror Show: feat Sean Browning, Jan Caruana, Melyssa Ade, more. 11:30 p.m. $5. 138 Danforth Ave. 416-491-3115.

SUNDAY

GHOST JAIL THEATRE Improv comedy w/ Caitlin Howden, Ian Rowe, Alana Johnston, more. 7 p.m. $6. Clinton's, 693 Bloor St. W. 416-535-9541.

LAUGH SABBATH Let's Get Hot! feat Adam Christie, Katie Crown, Nick Flanagan, more. 8:30 p.m. $5. Rivoli, 332 Queen St. W. 416-596-1908.

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concerts

TODAY

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Brit's gift of music

Pop star Britney Spears dropped by a middle school in The Bronx, N.Y., on Wednesday to present a $10,000 US check to be used as an endowment for the school's year-old music program. PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Khloe not keeping up with rehab

PEOPLE A judge has ordered reality TV star Khloe Kardashian to complete a court-imposed course of drug and alcohol classes in the next six weeks, after learning she had missed her deadline, imdb.com reports.

The Keeping Up With The Kardashians star was handed the sentence, along with a short jail term, when she was convicted of driving under the influence (DUI) in July.

A Los Angeles court was told on Wednesday Kardashian failed to complete the course because scheduled dates clashed with holidays when the centre was closed. She has now been given until Nov. 17 to attend the missed lessons, and ordered to spend a day working in an L.A. morgue. Kardashian, 24, has already spent 173 hours in a California jail, stemming from her 2007 arrest.

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Doherty admits poor choices in men

LOVE Actress Shannen Doherty admits, "I haven't made the best choices in men," in a new interview with Details magazine. She married George Hamilton's son, Ashley, in 1993 after two weeks of dating. They split seven months later. But out of all of her past romances, Doherty says she has no regrets over Rick Salomon, who appeared in the infamous Paris Hilton sex tape, usmagazine.com reports. "There was something that Rick provided that was amazing to me," the currently single star tells Details. Still, she adds, "I look at what he did (with Hilton) and think, 'God, that's disgusting.'" But during their 2002 marriage (which was later annulled), "I never had someone make me laugh so much. I was madly in love. It was a really hard marriage. When it ended, it was a heart-crushing thing."

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Legend's prediction was right: Arquette

LOVE Screen legend Bette Davis' prediction that actress Rosanna Arquette would be unlucky in love if she enjoyed career success has been proven correct — 30 years after the prophecy, the star is a triple divorcee, imdb.com reports. Davis gave the actress some words of advice back in 1978, when Arquette was just 19. Now, after three failed marriages, she is ready to concede that Davis was correct. "She told me that you can't have both a love life and a career in pictures at the same time, and it has proven to be true — she was right," Arquette tells the New York Post. Arquette, now 49, wed first husband Anthony Greco in July 1979, but divorced the following year. She then married James Newton Howard but split from him in 1987 after one year together. Her third marriage to John Sidel also ended in divorce. They parted ways after six years and have one child, 14-year-old Zoe.

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All-natural birth for Hart

MOTHERHOOD Actress Melissa Joan Hart was determined to give birth to her second child naturally and ordered her family to stop her demanding painkillers during her labour, imdb.com reports.

The former Sabrina the Teenage Witch star delivered son Braydon in March, her second son with husband Mark Wilkerson.

"I told my mom and my husband, don't let me have (the drugs)," she tells Us Weekly magazine. "I kinda regret that one. But the thing is, the healing was so much faster. I didn't have to get the drugs out of my system and was moving around a lot more. I laboured at home for nine hours and then went to the hospital for an hour and a half — two pushes and he was out."

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Mills not going anywhere

DENIALS Sir Paul McCartney's ex-wife Heather Mills has denied she plans to move to a Caribbean island owned by tycoon Richard Branson, branding the rumour "totally made up," imdb.com reports. Last month the former glamour model was alleged to be setting up home on Branson's exclusive Necker Island, in a bid to escape the press intrusion in her native Britain. "Wouldn't that (moving to Necker Island) have been lovely? Where was my daughter supposed to have gone to school? That's totally made up," she says.

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celebrity briefs

Fey cashes in with book deal

PEOPLE 30 Rock creator Tina Fey looks set to cash in on her recent Emmy triumph — she's reportedly been offered a whopping $6 million US to publish her first book, imdb.com reports. However, the book will not be a memoir — the publication claims it's been pitched as "non-fiction humour, more in the style of author, screenwriter and film director Nora Ephron."

7th Heaven star on Cloud 9

MARRIAGE 7th Heaven star Beverley Mitchell married Michael Cameron on Wednesday, People.com reports. The couple were married in Ravello, Italy. According to sources, among the 100 guests were Mitchell's former co-star — and bridesmaid — Jessica Biel along with her boyfriend Justin Timberlake.

Paltrow purges her closet

CHARITY Gwyneth Paltrow has cleaned out her closet for charity, selling a selection of her designer dresses to raise money for underprivileged kids, imdb.com reports. Paltrow, who lives in London, has decided to sell off all of her unwanted clothes and accessories in aid of British charity the Kids Company.

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

To use a completely illogical metaphor, the train wreck that is the public life of **Heather Mills McCartney** just keeps chugging along. The latest is that she is denying she has plans to live on an island owned by **Richard Branson** in order to escape the prying eyes and flashbulbs of the press. Let's examine this 'rumour' that she is denying. First, it associates Mills McCartney with Richard Branson. Second, it implies that she is under so much duress from media scrutiny that an escape to a remote island is necessary. Given these two findings, I submit that she started the rumour she is now denying. However, I do sympathize, since she evidently has nothing else to do with her time except count her divorce money and perfect her 'crazy eyes' look in the mirror.

Heck, I'll even participate in Heather's insatiable quest for notoriety by suggesting alternate island locales.

Gilligan's Island: Hey, there's a rich guy there. **Thousand Islands:** The lone Canadian entry. There's a thousand of them, so Heather can hide on a different one daily from the throng of media. **The Island of Dr. Moreau:** Perfect. It only exists in fiction, much like Mills McCartney's perception of her own importance, and of the public's interest in her.

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Wedding bells?
Singer Melissa Etheridge, right, plans to legally tie the knot with her longtime partner, Tammy Lynn Michaels. "We're trying to find the right time now actually to go down and do it," Etheridge has said. **PEOPLE.COM**

Celebrity Buzz

Allen needs help: Friends

PROBLEMS Singer Lily Allen's friends are urging the singer to go to rehab, perezhilton.com reports. After a reported few too many recently, Allen's friends are trying to tell her to get help because she allegedly drinks too much and consequently feels depressed.

"She's now saying she wants to move to L.A. for a fresh start, but we think she's just running away and needs to get help now," a friend says.

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Mayer hangin' with the homeboys

PEOPLE John Mayer has had a reputation as a ladies' man, but these days, he's all about his boys, intouchweekly.com reports.

"Since his breakup with Jennifer Aniston, he isn't into anyone," an insider tells In Touch.

Even when the 30-year-old rocker hit N.Y.C. hotspot Tenjune on Sept. 16, he only hung out with guys.

"Lately, he's really only spending time with his longtime friends — even some high school pals," says the insider, adding that they can all be counted on to keep mum about his private life.

"He's always just with the people he can depend on. He's even calling them his 'circle of trust.'" An insider says Mayer's "circle of trust" includes comedian Sherrod Small and actor Justin Long.

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Alba's creative weight loss plan

PEOPLE Actress Jessica Alba has bought clothes a size too small in an effort to spur her into shedding the weight she gained while pregnant, MSNBC reports. Alba gave birth to daughter Honor Marie in June. On Sept. 16, Alba dropped $16,000 US on a new, smaller-sized wardrobe, In Touch reports. Working out is part of the plan, too. The magazine spoke with her trainer, Ramona Braganza, who says Alba follows a strict diet of low-fat, high-protein foods such as oatmeal, egg whites, fish and brown rice. "Jessica has always preferred healthy food," Braganza told the magazine.

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Filming 007 a licence for plastic surgery: Craig

ACTING James Bond star Daniel Craig is convinced the new 007 films are so dangerous he will need plastic surgery within five years, imdb.com reports.

The actor suffered numerous injuries while filming the forthcoming Quantum of Solace — he was rushed to hospital in June after hurting himself on-set in South America, and was recently seen nursing a bruised eye and fractured arm.

Craig admits the stunts are all part of playing the superspy, but fears it won't be long before he will need plastic surgery to rectify his injuries.

"It's what happens when you do something like this," he says. "I got tagged in a fight sequence and needed eight stitches. Plastic surgery? Give it five years."

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celebrity brief

Bundchen, Brady to elope?

COUPLES Model Giselle Bundchen and her football player boyfriend, injured New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady, may be walking down the aisle soon, perezhilton.com reports.

Rumours are circulating that a wedding could be in the future. The Chicago Sun-Times is reporting that Brady and Bundchen are engaged, citing a source close to the couple that they will take advantage of his injury time and get married, not in a big splashy way, but probably by eloping.

"I don't think they will even bother getting engaged — and will just slip off and marry quietly," a close friend of Bundchen tells the Sun-Times.

"I think that's sooner rather than later."

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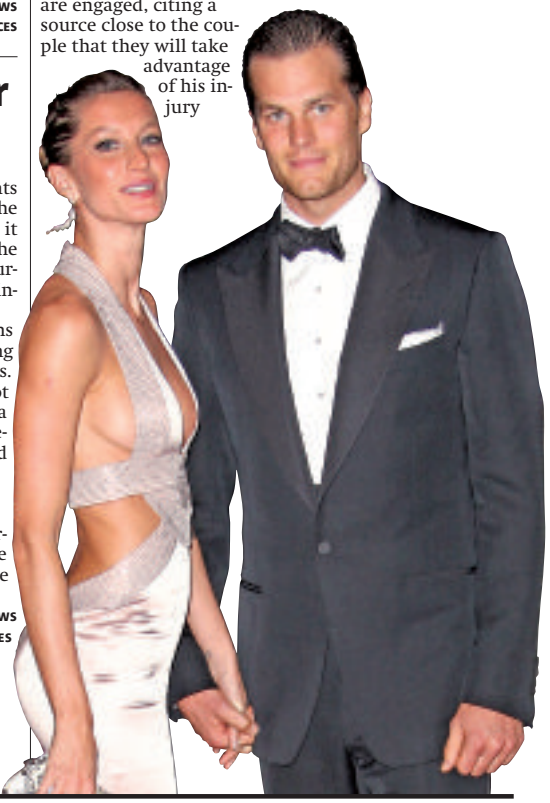

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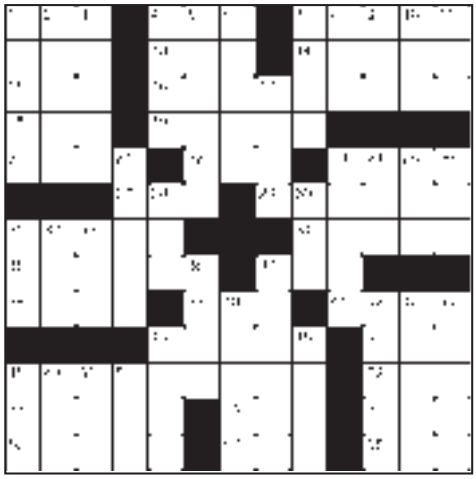

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4 Bird that lays green eggs
7 Rhino's cousin
12 Atl. state
13 PC-sharing setup
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19 Apportion
20 Bustle
22 "A mouse!"
23 Rams fans?
27 Frenzied
29 Cassandra Peterson's stage name
31 Bellybutton
34 Arts supporter
35 Slow passage
37 Announcer Pardo
38 Poet Pound
39 Air-pressure meas.
41 Hearty drink
45 Hot spot at a spa
47 Chromosome component
48 Eco-friendly activity
52 Hill dweller
53 Old market place
54 Afternoon social
55 Ball-bearing item
56 "The Planets" composer
57 Blunder
58 Storefront sign abbr.

Crossword down

1 That is (Lat.)
2 Paris subway
3 Tartan pattern
4 Exile isle
5 Sent via the USPS
6 Quitter's cry
7 Diplomacy
8 The whole enchilada
9 Luau bowlful
10 B&B
11 — U.S. Pat. Off.
17 Oxen's burden
21 The end
23 Cowgirl Dale
24 Minn. neighbor
25 Before
26 Frivolous one, in song
28 Will Smith biopic
30 Author Buscaglia
31 Dundee denial
32 Wood-shaping tool
33 Kin of: alt sp.
36 Milky gemstone
37 Main meal
40 Hotel accommodation
42 Ire
43 Central
44 Microsoft founder
45 "Begone!"
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48 "Hurray!"
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50 Army rank (Abbr.)
51 Decade parts (Abbr.)

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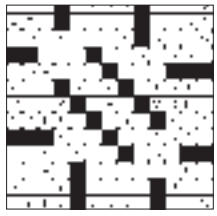

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Salt and pepper

DRESSING:
2 tbsp (25 mL) olive oil
Juice of 1 lemon
1 tbsp (15 mL) honey
2 tbsp (25 mL) chopped fresh mint

Fresh mint leaves as garnish

METHOD:
1. Whisk together all the dressing ingredients in a large bowl Season lightly with salt and pepper. Add the shrimp to the dressing, cover and leave to marinate in the refrigerator for 30 minutes to 1 hour.
2. Halve the mango lengthwise, cutting down each side of the pit. Cut the flesh on each half in a criss-cross fashion to make cubes, then cut the cubes away from the skin.
3. Remove the shrimp from the fridge. Add the mango, melon and tomatoes and gently stir together. Arrange the arugula leaves and cucumber slices around the edge of a shallow serving dish, and spoon the shrimp mixture into the centre. Garnish with sprigs of mint and serve.

Calories 242, calories from fat 54, fat 6 g, saturated fat 1 g, cholesterol 147 mg, carbohydrate 33 g, fibre 3 g, sugars 29 g, protein 18 g.
SERVES 6

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Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Team spirit and helpfulness will win the day. You will be asked to control yourself. A trip will bring contentment.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
True friends won't enjoy any spiteful gossip. Don't let pride stand in the way of accepting a benefit. An overwhelming sentimentality flusters you.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Exciting thoughts will cloud your mind. Wear something fabulous to socialize. Subterfuge gives you something to think about.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
People may think you're too conservative. You were told the absolute truth by a friend. Take care around supervisors and co-workers.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
There's deep respect and appreciation for your loyalty. Dissatisfaction can cause snappish remarks to wound others. Unique ideas are being generated.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
A visitor creates tensions between friends. A strange battle affects your schedule. You'll remember the events that led to a loss.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Find the time to do some self-nurturing. Questions about past activities will arise. Someone in charge thinks that you're a loose cannon.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
You have been misinformed about someone's negligence. A co-worker will ask for money. It's possible to defeat yourself by being tyrannical.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
Discomfort causes you to investigate the truth. Everything you say seems to be unheeded. There's a lot of exaggeration going on.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Broken hearts will alter marriage plans. A dazzling object needs some mending. Be very straightforward in all your dealings.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Memories will be created by being brave. Being overcautious will retard your progress. Think hard before refusing some satisfying work.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Frustration is overcome with help of others. Keep future plans to yourself. Assistance causes more trouble than it's worth.

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